



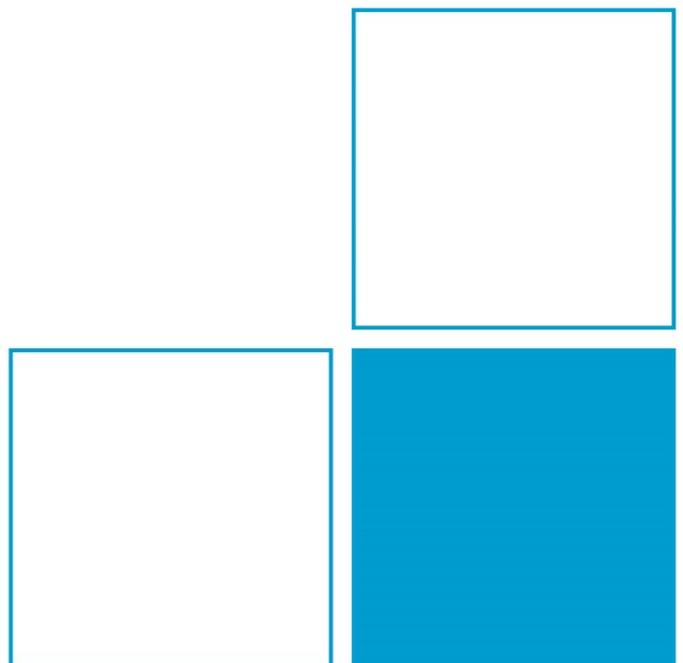
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## International Welcome

Héctor Laiz, CIPM WG Dig., Argentina

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this 2nd DCC Conference. I would like to thank the organizers for inviting me to open the event, but more importantly, for taking the effort to organize this series of conferences with focus in the development of the Digital Calibration Certificate. It's very important that our community come together and discuss how we will implement this tool that we will be crucial for the quality infrastructure in a digital environment, and not in the long term but tomorrow. This needs an international effort and coordination to achieve global acceptance as reflected by the participation in this Conference and as I will present in my talk. So, many thanks to the Organizing Committee and especially to Dr. Siegfried Hackel for his efforts in developing the DCC and also for organizing this event.

### Developments at the international, regional, and national levels

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### Developments at the international, regional and national levels

Héctor Laiz  
INTI, Argentina  
CIPM Member



## CIPM Task Group on the Digital SI Terms of reference

- To develop and establish a world-wide uniform, unambiguous and secure data exchange format for use in IoT networks based on the International System of Units (SI) described in the current SI Brochure.
- To coordinate this effort with all relevant stakeholders by exploring and/or establishing suitable liaisons.
- To propose suitable actions towards making the SI Brochure machine readable

## CIPM Task Group on the Digital SI Members

Joachim Ullrich (chair)	PTB
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Thomas Liew	A*STAR
James Olthoff	NIST
Alan Steele	NRC
Ismael Castelazo	CENAM
Yuning Duan	NIM
Héctor Laiz	INTI
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## CIPM Task Group on the Digital SI

### Summary of decisions & next steps – last meeting

#### Joint statement of Intent

- signature of the Joint Statement as soon as possible in a meeting between representatives of OIML, CODATA/ISC, IMEKO, and the CIPM as suggested by the TG.

#### Core Metrological Terms

- It was agreed that the definition of the CMTs should, on a long run, support highest levels of digitalization requirements.
- It was further agreed that efforts in this direction should not jeopardize the urgently needed short-time activities for proceeding with the actual metrology use-cases (SI-Brochure, CODATA fundamental constants, DCC, KCDB, CoCM).

#### Harmonization of unit formats

- The suggestion by the EG based on consultations with the use-cases teams and due within two months from now will be discussed in a meeting of the SCT end of March / beginning of April.

#### Forum D&M

- Collection of further input to the “mission statement” will be conducted.

## Joint Statement of Intent

### On the digital transformation in the international scientific and quality infrastructure

#### Recognising that

- governments, industry, academia, and civil society have been working toward comprehensive digital transformation for many years, and, in so doing, are increasingly
  - establishing systems to collect, aggregate, analyse and interpret digital data;
  - introducing networked sensor systems for diverse scientific and industrial applications;
  - sharing data at local, national, regional, and international scales;
- the scientific community has made significant progress in establishing reliable foundations for digital data interchange and management, including the FAIR principles for data management and stewardship;
- the organisations of the international quality infrastructure (metrology, accreditation, standardization, and conformity assessment) have a critical role working together to ensure sustainable economic development;
- the International System of Units (SI) plays a particular role in the international quality infrastructure providing confidence in the accuracy and global comparability of measurements needed for international trade, manufacturing, human health and safety, protection of the environment, global climate studies, and scientific research;
- maintaining this confidence in the accuracy and global comparability of measurements will require the creation and adoption of a full digital representation of the SI, including robust, unambiguous, and machine-actionable digital representations of units of measurement and of measurement results and uncertainties;

Joint Statement of Intent  
On the digital transformation in the international scientific and quality infrastructure

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- progress on global challenges such as this requires the participation of, and critical thinking from, diverse communities;
- successfully effecting such a comprehensive digital transformation for metrology and ensuring its benefits are fully realised will require the active participation of a wide range of stakeholders; particularly other members of the International Quality System;

**We the undersigned undertake to support in a way appropriate to each organisation the development, implementation, and promotion of the SI Digital Framework as part of a wider digital transformation of the international scientific and quality infrastructure.**

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**27<sup>th</sup> CGPM - Draft Resolution B**  
**On the global digital transformation and the International System of Units**

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**Anticipating**

- that maintaining and building confidence in accuracy and global comparability will require creation of a full digital representation of the SI, including robust, unambiguous, and machine-actionable digital representations of units of measurement and of measurement values and uncertainties;
- that successfully effecting such a comprehensive digital transformation will require engagement with a wide range of stakeholders including, but not limited to, ISO, IEC, OIML, ILAC, CODATA, and other scientific, regulatory, and quality infrastructure communities;

## 27<sup>th</sup> CGPM - Draft Resolution B

### On the global digital transformation and the International System of Units

#### Encourages

- the CIPM to continue its outreach and engagement initiatives to ensure that the Metre Convention naturally extends its role as the globally accepted anchor of trust for metrology into the digital era;
- the CIPM to undertake the development and promotion of an **SI Digital Framework**, which includes:
  - a globally accepted digital representation of the SI, compatible with and useable within digital data exchange standards and protocols in addition to the ongoing use of existing non-digital solutions;
  - facilitating use of **digital certificates** in the existing robust infrastructure for the **world-wide recognition** and acceptance of national calibration and measurement capabilities;
  - adoption of the FAIR principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable) for digital metrological data and metadata, ensuring that other communities recognize the critical importance of metrological traceability for measurement data as an established requisite for building trust;

## SIM-M4DT

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WG1 DIGITAL  
CALIBRATION  
CERTIFICATE  
ENGLISH



WG3 LAB-AUTOMATION  
+ REMOTE CALIBRATION  
ENGLISH



WG4 LAB-AUTOMATION  
SPANISH

Regional exchange



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# Participants

WG DCC



16 NMIs

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INACAL (Peru)	INDOCAL (Rep. Dom)	INTN (Paraguay)
LCM (Costa Rica)	CENAMEP (Panama)	CENAME (Guatemala)
IBMETRO (Bolivia)	TTBS (T&T)	SKNBS (SK&N)
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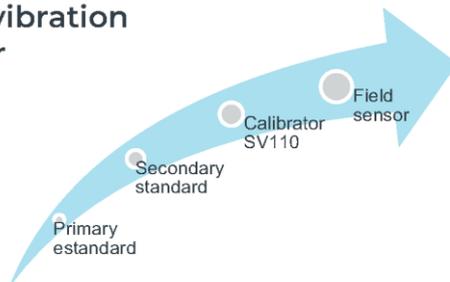
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Application of the DCC in two traceability Chains

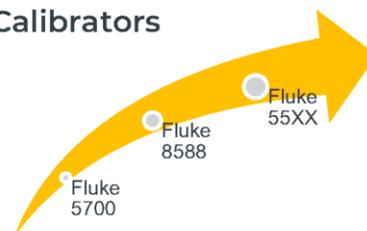


- INTI and Industry
- Duration 18 months
- Focus in remote calibrations and DCC
- Supported by the S+T+I Agency

## Field vibration sensor



## DMMs and Calibrators



## Conclusions

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- the Metre Convention will extend its role as the globally accepted anchor of trust for metrology into the digital era;
- the CIPM is making the steps towards the development of an SI Digital Framework, that facilitates the use of digital calibrations certificates
- We have projects and actions for the development of DCCs at regional and national levels
- International dialogue and cooperation is essential for a global acceptance



**Thank you!**

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## PTB Welcome

Frank Härtig, Vice-President PTB, Germany

Ladies and Gentlemen, dear colleagues,

On behalf of PTB, I cordially welcome you to the second international conference on the development of machine-readable and machine-understandable digital calibration certificates.

Since the foundation of the Metre Convention and since the establishment of the international system of units on May 20th, 1875 - almost 150 years ago – the field of metrology has undergone developments that have been more fundamental than in any other scientific field.

Digitalization has affected all communities within the field of metrology present in the over 100 countries that have joined the Metre Convention. These countries thus represent over 98% of the world's strongest economies.

Machine-readable and machine-understandable communication has become indispensable throughout the world – and establishing an infrastructure to support such technology has presented us with special challenges. We must succeed in developing solutions and setting standards that can unite all the domains within metrology. This includes defining a uniform data format for the exchange of metrological data – that is, at least one value with an associated specification of a unit.

Despite the many existing data formats, the Metre Convention is unmatched in its ability to develop a leading format here.

Yet in truth, making this vision a reality requires only the will of all of those involved in the creation of such standards.

With the necessary patience, we will then be able to guide it on its path from metrology institutes to calibration laboratories, then to industry and scientific institutions, and finally to the end users.

While this process may take many years, we can lay the foundation for it today. I am confident that we will succeed and that, in the long run, metrologists will set a standard that will be just as solid and unshakable as today's SI units. Let us not miss this opportunity.

The worldwide developments concerning machine-readable and machine-understandable calibration certificates have shown the way forward here and must be regarded as pioneering. Such developments show that we are on the right track and that we can succeed in creating a harmonized digital infrastructure for the dissemination of metrological information. Throughout the world, scientific institutions, industrial companies, and calibration service providers are now working on the development of digital certificates. One example is the German Calibration Service (DKD) with its 13 technical committees representing various domains, most of whom have agreed to develop the required data structures and guidelines for DCCs.

We must now follow this momentum. I have no doubt that Professor Hackel and his team – who have been a driving force behind machine-readable digital calibration certificates – will welcome everyone who wants to participate in these developments.

The biggest challenge in the coming months will be to harmonize the individual disciplines and domains, which – up to now – have communicated to only a small extent.

For example, specifying a temperature, humidity, or barometric pressure inside a DCC affects all domains, and it would therefore be beneficial to develop harmonized and coordinated solutions that can be used by everyone.

Many of the developments already started will be presented to you in the coming days. Personally, I would be very pleased if everyone contributed to these developments and if we jointly developed solutions that can set a standard for DCCs worldwide. Like the fathers of the Metre Convention, you too can help to shape digital metrology.

At this point, I wish you an interesting and successful event.

Vice-President

Dr.-Ing. Prof. h. c. Frank Härtig

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## Session “DCC-News”

### Latest developments of the DCC

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#### Abstract

An overview of the latest developments since the first international DCC conference in October 2020 will be given. The roadmap of the DCC is presented and the connection to the conference programme is motivated. The connection between the new DCC scheme, the good practice approach as well as the 100 days programme of the PTB is shown.

The last conference showed that the middleware between the IT of the laboratory and the DCC as well as the middleware for generating the human-readable part of the DCC are important. Likewise, digitalisation in the environment of the DCC has progressed further. Developments in the area of DCC syntax are another focus.

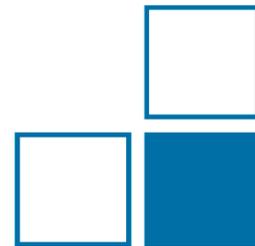
The DCC is particularly important for use in industry. Great development potential is seen here. A look at the requirements from this area and the activities of the stakeholders are shown. The implementation of the DCC in these processes is discussed.

Calibrated sensors are playing an increasingly important role in production. Therefore, another focus is set here. Here, as in the other areas, the quality and validation of the DCC content is important.

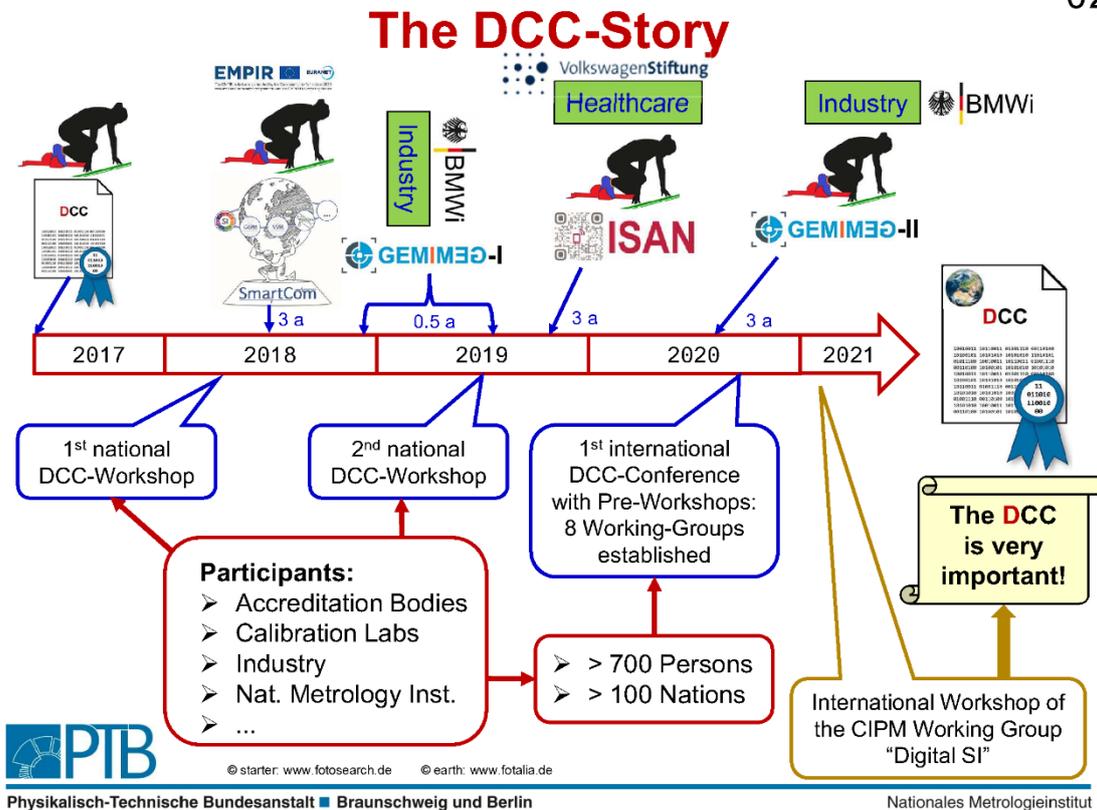
Another focus will be the role of accreditation and IT security.

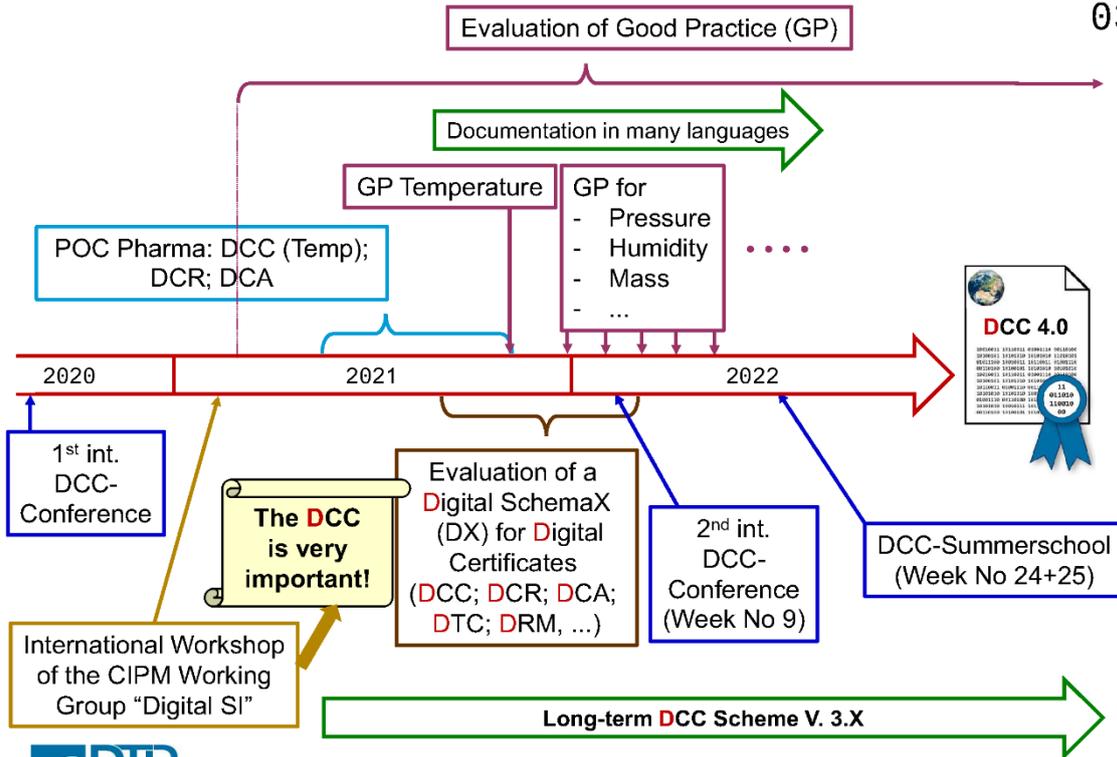
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### Abstract

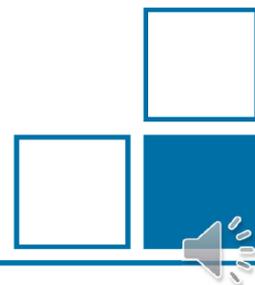
The results and discussions in the working groups formed at the first international DCC conference have fed into the further development of the DCC scheme.

The presentation will discuss the changes from version 2.4 to the long-term available version 3.0 of the DCC scheme. Furthermore, it will be explained that the latest version 3.1.2 of the DCC scheme is backwards compatible with the DCC scheme 3.0.

Examples will be used to show the advantages of using the latest version in the creation and use of tables, both for the creator of DCCs and the user of DCCs. This will be discussed using good practice examples.

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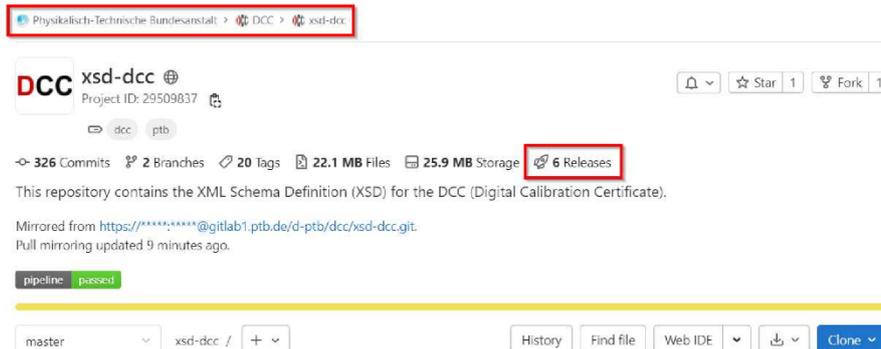


# DCC V. 3.X



## DCC Release

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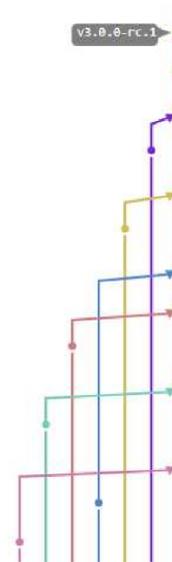


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## DCC 3.0

- Calibration location
  - `<dcc:performanceLocation>`
- Universal descriptions (Text, Formulas and Files)
  - new Type `<dcc:richContentType>`
- Conformity Statements
  - `<dcc:conformity>`
- `refType`, `refId` and `Id` on more elements



## DCC 3.0 Breaking Changes

- Upgrade to D-SI v2.0.0
- Consistent use of `dcc:name` and `dcc:description`
- Restructuring inside `dcc:formula`
- `dcc:state` has been renamed to `dcc:status`
- `dcc:refId` is now an attribute inside `statementMetadataType`



## DCC 3.1

- Upgrade to D-SI v2.1.0
  - XMLList
- Attribute Lists
- Implementation of relative Uncertainty
  - <dcc:relativeUncertainty>
- Extended softwareType
  - Type of software
  - Item <dcc:installedSoftwares>



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## DCC Good Practice

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### Abstract

The basis for calibration reports for accredited calibration laboratories is the ISO / IEC 17025 standard. Section 7.8 specifies what the content of a calibration certificate is. Calibration certificates issued outside the accredited environment are also based on this standard.

The resulting self-similarity can be used to make DCCs not only machine-readable and executable, but also machine-interpretable. For this purpose, the utility model is discussed. Based on the utility model, the technical expertise of calibrators and users and the Pareto principle, good practice (GP) examples for temperature have been developed. These GP are described and the transfer (abstraction) to other measurands is shown.



## DCC-Excursion:

## DCC Good Practice

Level 5: Machine controllable Contents	
Level 4: Machine readable and interpretable content	
Level 3: Machine readable and executable content	
Level 2: Machine readable document	
Level 1: Digital document	
Level 0: Paper	

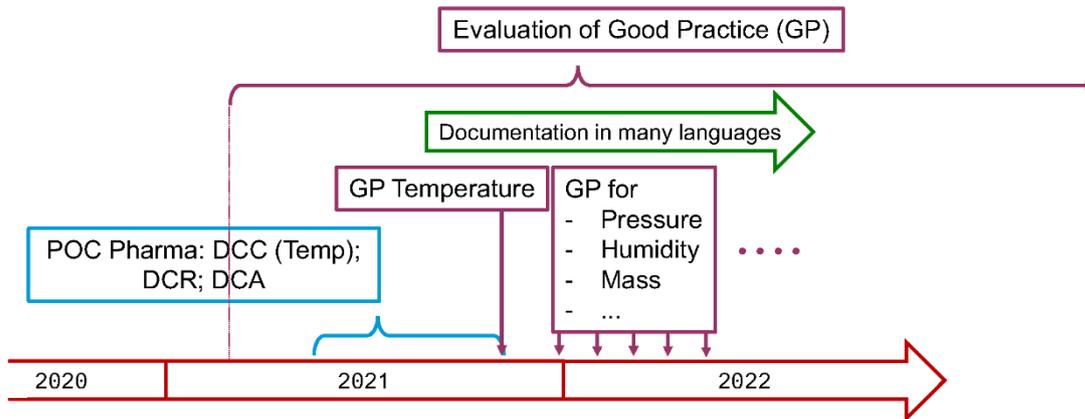
## Good Practice (GP)

- Calibration certificates have a degree of (self-) similarity
  - ✓ Text
  - ✓ Formulas
  - ✓ Tables
  - ✓ ...

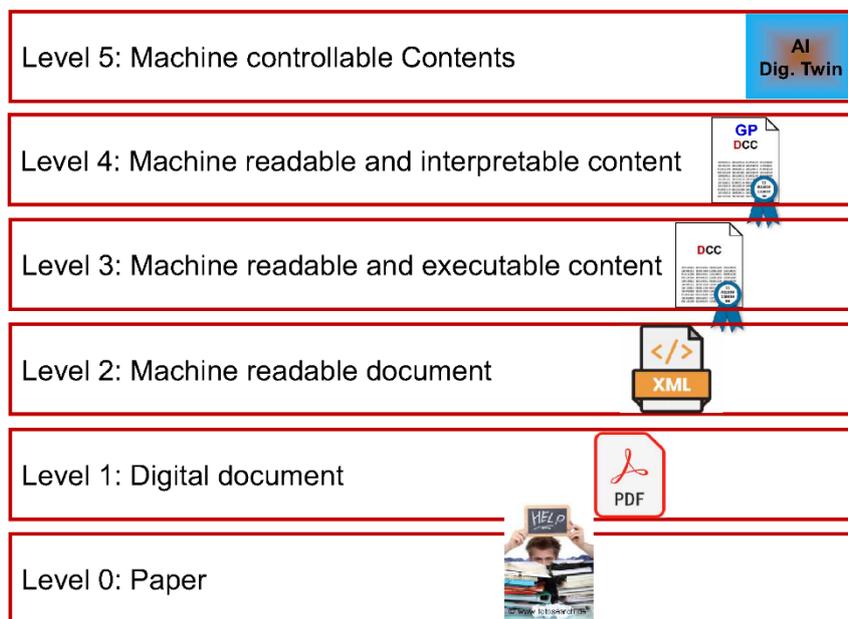


High potential for optimization  
and machine interpretable DCCs

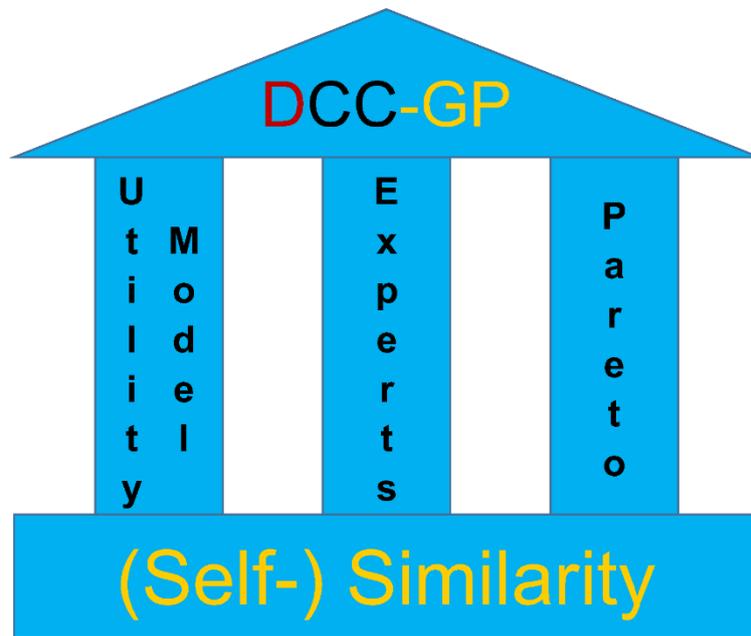
## Good Practice (GP)



## The Utility-Model

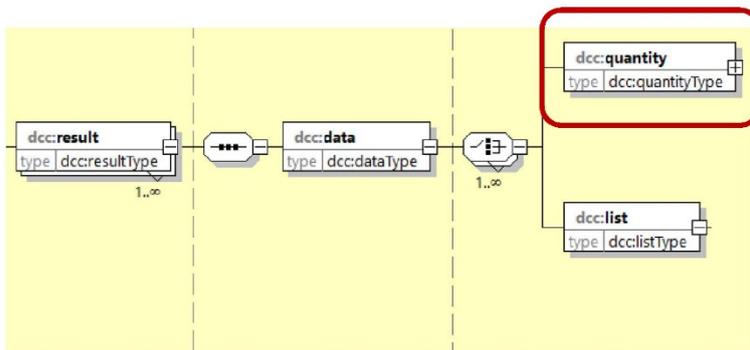


## The basic idea for DCC -GP

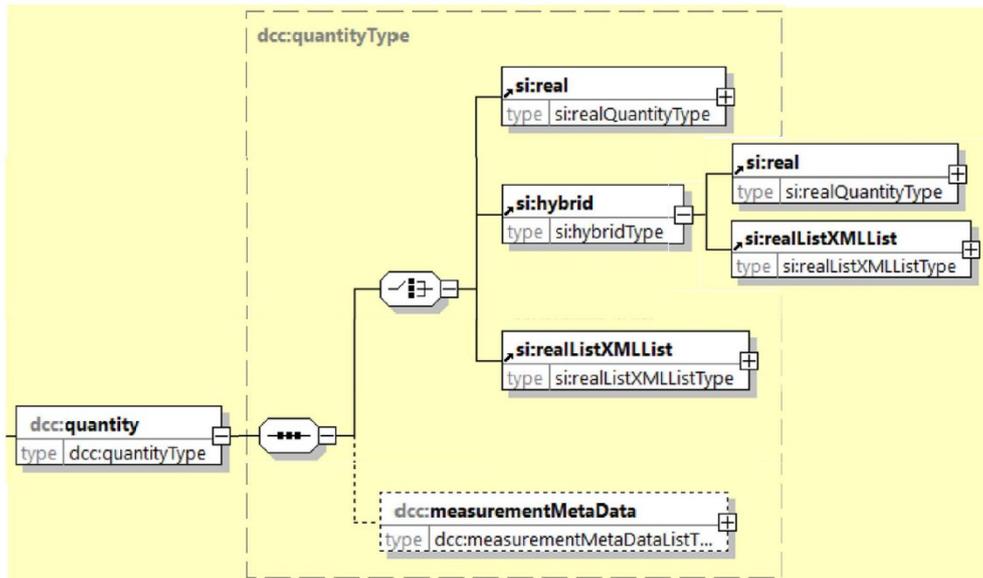


## Pareto-Principle!!

### Looking into the DCC -Scheme



## Pareto (!) - quantity



## DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

Area	Used Elements / Attributs	simplified
result1	basic_referenceValue	
result1	basic_measuredValue	
result1	basic_measurementError	
result1	U (measurementError)	
result1	basic_conformity	
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitLower	
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper	

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue	basic_measurementError		
	Reference value / K	U (Measurement error) / K		
refType_area2				
refType_area3				
	306.248			
	373.121			
	448.253			
	523.319			
	593.154			

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError		
	Measured value/ K	U (Measurement error) / K		
refType_area2				
refType_area3				
	306.32	0.072	0.061	2 0.95 normal
	373.21	0.089	0.061	2 0.95 normal
	448.36	0.107	0.061	2 0.95 normal
	523.31	-0.009	0.061	2 0.95 normal
	593.07	-0.084	0.061	2 0.95 normal

refType_area1	basic_measurementError	
	Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K
refType_area2		
refType_area3		
	pass	pass

VIM

optional

## DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

```

<dcc:list refType="gp_table1">
  <dcc:quantity refType="basic_referenceValue">
    <dcc:name>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Bezugswert</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Reference value</dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <si:hybrid>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>306.248 373.121 448.253 523.319 593.154</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>33.098 99.971 175.103 250.169 320.004</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
    </si:hybrid>
  </dcc:quantity>
  <dcc:quantity refType="basic_measuredValue">
    <dcc:name>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Angezeigter Messwert Kalibriergegenstand</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Indicated measured value probe</dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <si:hybrid>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>306.32 373.21 448.36 523.31 593.07</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>33.17 100.06 175.21 250.16 319.92</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
    </si:hybrid>
  </dcc:quantity>
  <dcc:quantity refType="basic_measurementError">
    <dcc:name>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Messwertabweichung</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Measurement error</dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <si:hybrid>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>0.05</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
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      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>0.05</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
    </si:hybrid>
  </dcc:quantity>
</dcc:list>
    
```

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## DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

```

<dcc:list refType="gp_table1">
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    <si:hybrid>
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        <si:valueXMLList>306.248 373.121 448.253 523.319 593.154</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
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    <si:hybrid>
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        <si:valueXMLList>33.17 100.06 175.21 250.16 319.92</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
    </si:hybrid>
  </dcc:quantity>
  <dcc:quantity refType="basic_measurementError">
    <dcc:name>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Messwertabweichung</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Measurement error</dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <si:hybrid>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>0.05</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
      <si:realListXMLList>
        <si:valueXMLList>0.05</si:valueXMLList>
        <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
      </si:realListXMLList>
    </si:hybrid>
  </dcc:quantity>
</dcc:list>
    
```

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## DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue	Area		Used Elements / Attributs	simplified
	Reference value / K			basic_referenceValue	
refType_area2				basic_measuredValue	
refType_area3	306.248			basic_measurementError	
	373.121			U (measurementError)	
	448.253			basic_conformity	
	523.319			basic_acceptanceLimitLower	
	593.154			basic_acceptanceLimitUpper	

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError					
	Measured value/ K	Measurement error / K	U (Measurement error) / K				
refType_area2							
refType_area3	306.32	0.072	0.061	2	0.95	normal	
	373.21	0.089	0.061	2	0.95	normal	
	448.36	0.107	0.061	2	0.95	normal	
	523.31	-0.009	0.061	2	0.95	normal	
	593.07	-0.084	0.061	2	0.95	normal	

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_measurementError		
	Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K	
refType_area2	basic_conformity		
refType_area3	basic_acceptanceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper	
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.30	0.30
	pass	-0.30	0.30



## DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

```

<dcc:quantity refType="basic_measurementError">
  <dcc:name>
    <dcc:content lang="de">Messabweichung</dcc:content>
    <dcc:content lang="en">Measurement error</dcc:content>
  </dcc:name>
  <si:realListXMLList>
    <si:valueXMLList>0.072 0.089 0.107 -0.009 -0.084</si:valueXMLList>
    <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
    <si:expandedUncXMLList>
      <si:uncertaintyXMLList>0.061</si:uncertaintyXMLList>
      <si:coverageFactorXMLList>2</si:coverageFactorXMLList>
      <si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>0.95</si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>
      <si:distributionXMLList>normal</si:distributionXMLList>
    </si:expandedUncXMLList>
  </si:realListXMLList>
  <dcc:measurementMetaData>
    <dcc:metaData refType="basic_conformity">
      <dcc:declaration>
        <dcc:name>
    
```



# DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue
	Reference value / K
refType_area2	
refType_area3	
	306.248
	373.121
	448.253
	523.319
	593.154

Area	Used Elements / Attributs	simplified
result1	basic_referenceValue	
result1	basic_measuredValue	
result1	basic_measurementError	
result1	U (measurementError)	
result1	basic_conformity	
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitLower	
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper	

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError				
		Measured value/ K	Measurement error / K	U (Measurement error) / K		
refType_area2						
refType_area3						
	306.32	0.072	0.061	2	0.95	normal
	373.21	0.089	0.061	2	0.95	normal
	448.36	0.107	0.061	2	0.95	normal
	523.31	-0.009	0.061	2	0.95	normal
	593.07	-0.084	0.061	2	0.95	normal

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_conformity	basic_measurementError	
		Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K
refType_area2			
refType_area3			
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.30	0.30
	pass	-0.30	0.30



# DCC-GP Temperature: Simplified

```

<si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>0.99</si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>
<si:distributionXMLList>normal</si:distributionXMLList>
</si:expandedUncXMLList>
</si:realListXMLList>
<dcc:measurementMetadata>
  <dcc:metaData refType="basic_conformity">
    <dcc:declaration>
      <dcc:name>
        <dcc:content lang="de">Konformität</dcc:content>
        <dcc:content lang="en">Conformity</dcc:content>
      </dcc:name>
    </dcc:declaration>
    <dcc:conformityXMLList>pass</dcc:conformityXMLList>
  </dcc:metaData>
  <dcc:data>
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      <dcc:name>
        <dcc:con
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    <dcc:quantity re
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          <si:unit
        </si:reallis
      </dcc:quantity>
    </dcc:data>
  </dcc:measurementMetadata>
</dcc:quantity>
  
```



## DCC-GP Temperature: Typical

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue	
	Reference value / K	Calibration value / K
refType_area2		basic_calibrationValue
refType_area3		
	306.248	306
	373.121	373
	448.253	448
	523.319	523
	593.154	593

Area	Used Elements / Attributs	simplified	typical
result1	basic_referenceValue		
result1	basic_calibrationValue		
result1	basic_measuredValue		
result1	basic_measurementError		
result1	U (measurementError)		
result1	basic_conformity		
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitLower		
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper		

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError			
	Measured value / K	Measurement error / K		U (Measurement error) / K	
refType_area2					
refType_area3					
	306.32	0.072	0.061	2	0.95 normal
	373.21	0.089	0.061	2	0.95 normal
	448.36	0.107	0.061	2	0.95 normal
	523.31	-0.009	0.061	2	0.95 normal
	593.07	-0.084	0.061	2	0.95 normal

Table continued ...

refType_area1	basic_measurementError		
		Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K
refType_area2	basic_conformity		
refType_area3		basic_acceptanceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.30	0.30
	pass	-0.30	0.30



## DCC-GP Temperature: Typical

```

<dcc:quantity refType="basic_referenceValue">
  <dcc:name>
    <dcc:content lang="de">Bezugswert</dcc:content>
    <dcc:content lang="en">Reference value</dcc:content>
  </dcc:name>
  <si:hybrid>
    <si:realListXMLList>
      <si:valueXMLList>306.248 373.121 448.253 523.319 593.154</si:valueXMLList>
      <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
    </si:realListXMLList>
    <si:realListXMLList>
      <si:valueXMLList>33.098 99.971 175.103 250.169 320.004</si:valueXMLList>
      <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
    </si:realListXMLList>
  </si:hybrid>
  <dcc:measurementMetaData>
    <dcc:metaData refType="basic_calibrationValue">
      <dcc:declaration>
        <dcc:content lang="de">Kalibrierpunkt</dcc:content>
        <dcc:content lang="en">Calibration value</dcc:content>
      </dcc:declaration>
      <dcc:data>
        <dcc:quantity>
          <si:hybrid>
            <si:realListXMLList>
              <si:valueXMLList>306 373 448 523 593</si:valueXMLList>
              <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
            </si:realListXMLList>
            <si:realListXMLList>
              <si:valueXMLList>32.85 99.85 174.85 249.85 319.85</si:valueXMLList>
              <si:unitXMLList>\degreecelsius</si:unitXMLList>
            </si:realListXMLList>
          </si:hybrid>
        </dcc:quantity>
      </dcc:data>
    </dcc:metaData>
  </dcc:measurementMetaData>
</dcc:quantity>
    
```



# DCC-GP Temperature: Typical / Adjustment

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue	
	Reference value / K	Calibration value / K
refType_area2		basic_calibrationValue
refType_area3		
	306.245	306
	373.127	373
	448.249	448
	523.321	523
	593.151	593

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError		
	Measured value / K	Measurement error / K	U (Measurement error) / K	
refType_area2				
refType_area3				
	306.35	0.105	0.89	2   0.95   normal
	373.45	0.123	0.89	2   0.95   normal
	448.05	-0.199	0.89	2   0.95   normal
	523.05	-0.271	0.89	2   0.95   normal
	593.35	0.199	0.89	2   0.95   normal

refType_area1	basic_measurementError		
	Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K	
refType_area2	basic_conformity		
refType_area3		basic_acceptanceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper
	pass	-0.75	0.75
	pass	-0.75	0.75
	pass	-0.90	0.90
	pass	-0.90	0.90

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue	
	Reference value / K	Calibration value / K
refType_area2		basic_calibrationValue
refType_area3		
	306.244	306
	373.121	373
	448.250	448
	523.310	523
	593.154	593

refType_area1	basic_measuredValue	basic_measurementError		
	Measured value / K	Measurement error / K	U (Measurement error) / K	
refType_area2				
refType_area3				
	306.32	0.072	0.051	2   0.95   normal
	373.21	0.089	0.051	2   0.95   normal
	448.36	0.107	0.051	2   0.95   normal
	523.31	0.099	0.051	2   0.95   normal
	593.07	-0.084	0.051	2   0.95   normal

refType_area1	basic_measurementError		
	Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K	
refType_area2	basic_conformity		
refType_area3		basic_acceptanceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.23	0.23
	pass	-0.30	0.30
	pass	-0.30	0.30

Area	Used Elements / Attributs	simplified	typical	typical_Adjustment
Adjustment	basic_referenceValue			
Adjustment	basic_calibrationValue			
Adjustment	basic_measuredValue			
Adjustment	basic_measurementError			
Adjustment	U (measurementError)			
Adjustment	basic_conformity			
Adjustment	basic_acceptanceLimitLower			
Adjustment	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper			
result1	basic_referenceValue			
result1	basic_calibrationValue			
result1	basic_measuredValue			
result1	basic_measurementError			
result1	U (measurementError)			
result1	basic_conformity			
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitLower			
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper			

As found / As left

# DCC-GP Temperature: Resistance (Ω)

Area	Used Elements / Attributs	minimal	typical	typical_Adjustment	resistance
result1	basic_referenceValue				
result1	basic_calibrationValue				
result1	basic_measuredValue				
result1	basic_measurementError				
result1	U (measurementError)				
result1	basic_conformity				
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitLower				
result1	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper				
result2	gp_coefficients				
result2	basic_conformity				
result2	R0				
result2	A				
result2	B				

refType_area1	basic_referenceValue		basic_measuredValue
	Reference value / K	Measured value / Ω	Measured value / Ω
refType_area2		basic_calibrationValue	
refType_area3			
	273.149	273.15	100.0220
	283.151	283.15	103.9329
	293.151	293.15	107.8300
	303.149	303.15	111.7130
	313.149	313.15	115.5841
	323.149	323.15	119.4422
	333.150	333.15	123.2880
	303.151	303.15	111.7131
	273.151	273.15	100.0224

Coefficients according to Callendar van Dusen		
$R_0 / \frac{kg \cdot m^2}{s^2 \cdot A^2}$	A / K <sup>-1</sup>	B / K <sup>-2</sup>
100.0225	0.0039155	-6.469E-07

measurementMetaData metaData refType="basic\_conformity"

The conformity statement is made for class A Pt100 resistance sensors ...

Determination by „Kunde GmbH“

PASS

## DCC-GP Temperature: Extensive

Area	Lead Interests / Attributes	simplified	typical	typical Adjusted	reference	extensive
Adjustment	<basic>dateTstamp					
Adjustment	<basic>referenceValue					
Adjustment	<si>dateTstamp					
Adjustment	gp_uM*					
Adjustment	gp_uE*					
Adjustment	basic_noMaterialUsed					
Adjustment	basic_calibrationValue					
Adjustment	basic_measurementError					
Adjustment	si_dateTstamp					
Adjustment	gp_uMNumberOfSamples					
Adjustment	basic_conformity					
Adjustment	basic_toleranceLimitLower					
Adjustment	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper					
Adjustment	basic_toleranceLimitUpper					
result	<basic>dateTstamp					
result	basic_referenceValue					
result	<si>dateTstamp					
result	gp_uM*					
result	gp_uE*					
result	basic_noMaterialUsed					
result	basic_calibrationValue					
result	basic_measurementError					
result	si_dateTstamp					
result	gp_uMNumberOfSamples					
result	basic_conformity					
result	basic_toleranceLimitLower					
result	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper					
result	basic_toleranceLimitUpper					
resultC	gp_conformity					
resultC	basic_conformity					
resultC	no					
resultC	si					
resultC	si					
End	basic_noM1					

refType_area1	Method No.	Software No.	Equipment No.	Reference value / K	Measuring time	Calibration value /K
refType_area2	gp_uM*	gp_uS*	gp_mE*			basic_calibrationValue
refType_area3						
1957-08-13T13:00Z	1	1	1	306.248	1957-08-13T13:15Z	306
1957-08-13T14:00Z	1	1	2	373.121	1957-08-13T14:15Z	373
1957-08-13T15:00Z	1	2	2	448.253	1957-08-13T15:15Z	448
1957-08-13T16:00Z	2	2	3	523.319	1957-08-13T16:15Z	523
1957-08-13T17:00Z	2	2	3	593.154	1957-08-13T17:15Z	593

refType_area1	basic_measurementValue	Measurement error / K	U (Measurement error) / K	basic_measurementError	Total measurement time / s	Number of measurements
refType_area2						
refType_area3						
	306.32	0.072	0.061 2 0.95 normal		1261.23	60
	373.21	0.089	0.061 2 0.95 normal		1259.44	60
	448.36	0.107	0.061 2 0.95 normal		1257.27	60
	523.31	-0.009	0.061 2 0.95 normal		1260.87	60
	593.07	-0.084	0.061 2 0.95 normal		1264.59	60

refType_area1	Lower tolerance limit / K	Lower acceptance limit / K	Upper acceptance limit / K	Upper tolerance limit / K
refType_area2	basic_conformity			
refType_area3	basic_toleranceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitLower	basic_acceptanceLimitUpper	basic_toleranceLimitUpper
pass	-0.58	-0.23	0.23	0.58
pass	-0.58	-0.23	0.23	0.58
pass	-0.78	-0.30	0.30	0.78
pass	-0.78	-0.30	0.30	0.78

Timestamps

Measurement details

Tolerance

Notes:  
[1]: This is a typical procedure in the case of calibrating a temperature-sensor.

## Let's talk about Text...

- Texts are also a fundamental part of the DCC!
  - Look to the GP examples.
- It is possible to make important components of texts searchable.
  - For example, standards can be referred to directly.
- Many standardisation bodies have therefore also transformed their standards into XML.

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## PTB's 100 Days Programme

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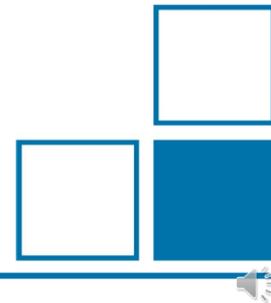
### Abstract

PTB will start its 100-day programme to support the DCC directly after the conference. During this time, various work packages are to be completed. A central goal is to develop further good practice DCCs for other measurands and to present them to the committees for discussion.

Further tools for the middleware from the laboratory IT to the DCC, the creation of a human-readable output and the establishment of an internal helpdesk will also be on the to-do list during this time.

# PTB's 100 Days Programme for the DCC

Shanna Schönhals



## Why a 100 days programme

- Formulation of SMART goals (**S**pecific, **M**easurable, **A**chievable, **R**ealistic, and **T**imely)
- Focus efforts on what matters most to enable the roll-out of the DCC
- Motivation to achieve the goals
- Starting directly after the DCC conference



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## Our agenda for the next 100 days

### Good Practice Examples

- Temperature
- Air pressure
- Humidity

today

### Functionality

- XML
- XSD
- Human readable output in HTML and PDF

today

- GEMIMEG-Tool for non-commercial use
- Publication series on fundamental DCC topics

Wednesday

### PTB Service

- Internal helpdesk
- Issuing DCCs for first measurands (Temperature)

Thursday



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## Session “DCC Implementation Strategies”

### Implementation of Digital Calibration Certificate at NIMT

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#### Abstract

Calibration certificates are essential for assuring accuracy of the measuring instrument which is necessary to control quality of products and services. The calibration certificates are mostly used in legal metrology for quality audits, accreditation, and examination processes and also in the operational metrology to adjust measurement results according to error of an instrument. Hard copy calibration certificates are successfully used for decades.

With the advance in digital technology, approaches for digital calibration certificates (DCCs) were proposed. DCCs based on a PDF/A-3 solution is one of a stepping-stone towards the digitalization of metrological services. DCCs is expected to fulfil the emergence of new technologies and applications that require automated creation, processing, and updates of the calibration certificates.

We present here an application of this approach at NIMT by implementing DCC with Data-link system developed by NIMT using Visual Studio. DCC will be imported to the Data-link software. The nominal value and correction value from DCC will be used in measurement value correction. During measurement, software will collect measured value from the instrument and look up for the corresponding correction value and report corrected measured value which can be recorded for further analysis.



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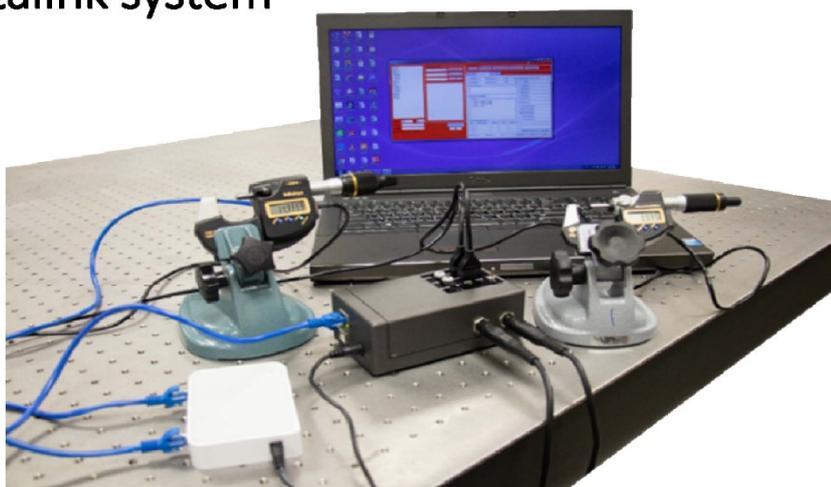
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## Datalink system



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# Datalink system

## Specification



- This device can connect dimensional measuring instruments such as micrometer, caliper, dial indicator, height gauge, micrometer head etc. and also all other digital instruments.
- Data can be sent from the measuring instrument or by using a foot switch.
- This device can connect to a computer.

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## Hardware



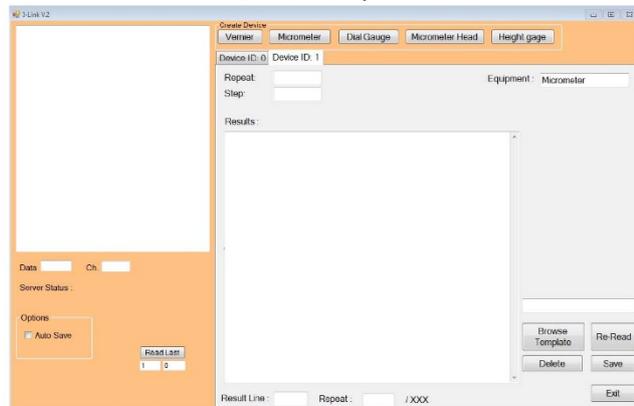
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Foot switch



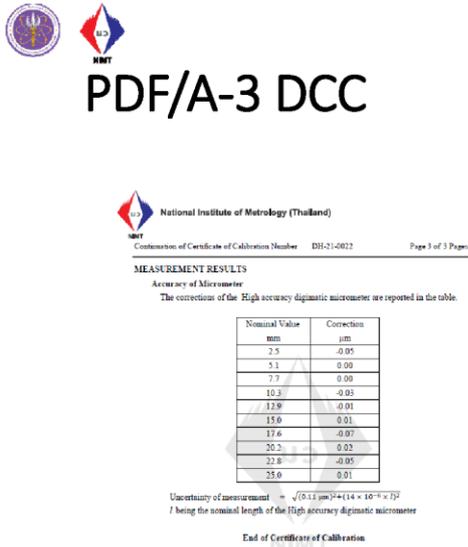
Software on Computer



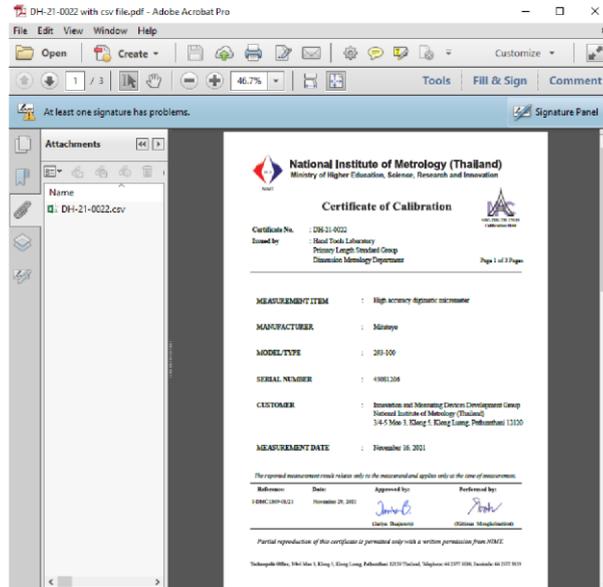
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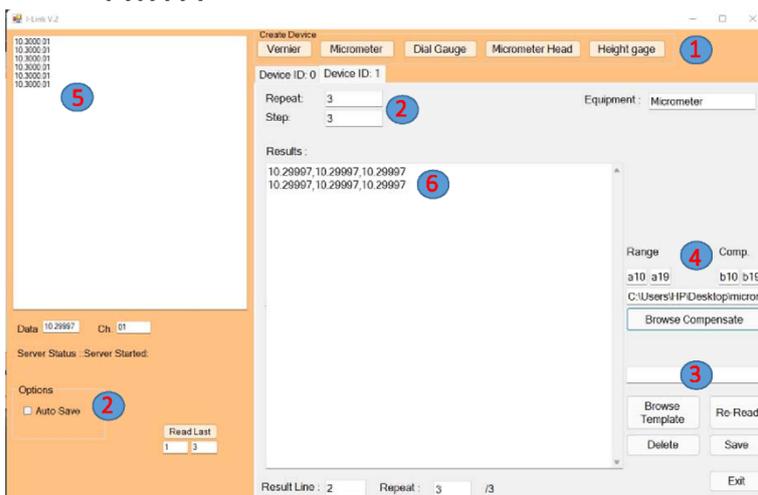
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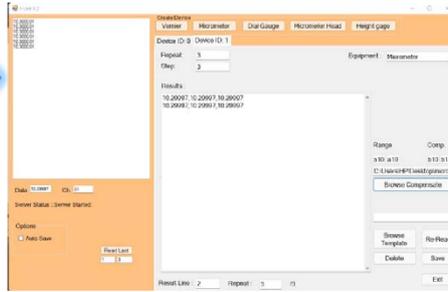
1. The program can create device such as micrometer, caliper, dial indicator, height gauge, micrometer head etc.
2. The program can set no. of repeat and measurement steps in case of wanting to save measurement results automatically.
3. The program can choose the record template as needed.
4. Able to enter data values of error of measuring instruments from Certificate
5. Data obtained from measuring instruments
6. Data obtained after being corrected

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# Implementation of Digital Calibration Certificate at NIMT



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**MEASUREMENT RESULTS**

Accuracy of Micrometer  
 The corrections of the High accuracy digital micrometer are reported in the table.

Nominal Value mm	Correction µm
2.5	-0.05
5.1	0.00
7.7	0.00
10.3	-0.03
12.9	-0.01
15.0	0.01
17.6	-0.07
20.2	0.02
22.8	-0.05
25.0	0.01

Uncertainty of measurement =  $\sqrt{(0.11 \mu\text{m})^2 + (14 \times 10^{-6} \times l)^2}$   
 / being the nominal length of the high accuracy digital micrometer

End of Certificate of Calibration



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# Thank you

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## The Digital NIST Pilot Project

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### Abstract

NIST recently began planning for the modernization and digitalization of its measurement services:

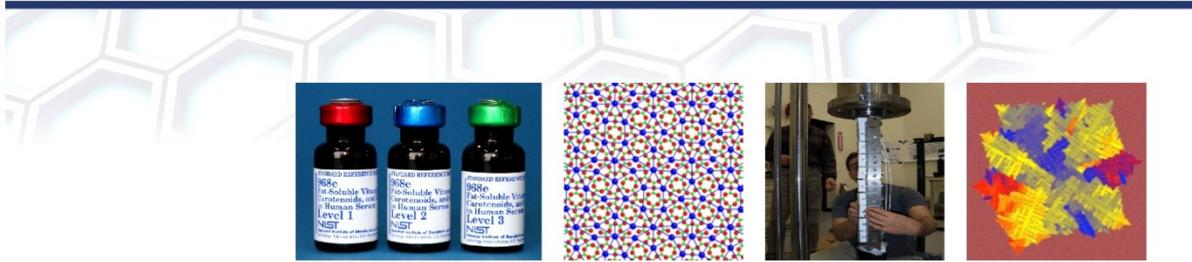
calibrations, reference materials, reference instruments, and standard reference data.

This will be a significant effort going forward, touching on all aspects of data acquisition, analysis, management, and dissemination, with the goal of making these services fully FAIR.

At this time, we are pursuing a pilot study focused on digital certificates. We are evaluating the feasibility of mapping our calibration reports and certificates of analysis into the PTB DCC schema.

We are hopeful that most of our essential information can be supported, but if not, we will cooperate with PTB and other NMIs to either update the schema or deploy extensions that preserve maximum compatibility and interoperability.

In our presentation we will describe the aspirations and expectations for our long-term measurement services program and the anticipated outcomes of our pilot study.



## The Digital NIST

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## History and Motivation

- 2017, PTB and NPL discuss/plan “digitalization” efforts at NMI Directors Meeting, BIPM
- Fall 2019, CIPM established the Digital SI Task Group; Jim Olthoff (NIST Associate Director for Laboratory Programs) represents NIST. Joachim Ullrich (PTB) chair.
- November 2019, Task Group appoints Expert Group; Jim Olthoff asked Bob Hanisch to represent NIST. Daniel Huttschenreuter (PTB), chair.
- Expert Group developed “grand vision” for the Digital SI and organized workshop, hosted by BIPM, in February 2021.
  - “The International System of Units (SI) and FAIR Digital Data”
  - ~1200 participants from NMIs, standards organizations, industry, academia
  - Broad consensus that metrology needs to move to fully digital, fully FAIR data
  - Statement of cooperation
- March 2021, NIST Measurement Services Council spun off Digital Transformation Working Group.
- March 2021, senior NIST management asked Bob Hanisch, Steve Choquette, and Jim Fedchak to develop strategy document for the Digital NIST.

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## History and Motivation

- Fall 2021, developed proposal for Digital NIST Pilot
- January 2022, Associate Director for Laboratory Programs approved proposal
- Funds allocated and project teams formed
  - Certificates of analysis for reference materials
  - Calibration reports
  - Pilots to run to the end of September 2022
  - Stakeholder workshop, September or October 2022

## Digital NIST Vision

- *Commerce in the 21st Century is dependent on the digital exchange of information, however NIST still delivers the data from its metrology products and services through paper-based modalities.*
- *The development of a “Digital NIST” includes digital certificates for standard reference materials (SRM) and calibrations, and a cloud-based system for sharing of interoperable metrology data, calculations, legal metrology documents, and other digital tools.*
- *The Digital NIST requires substantial investment in data and computing infrastructure such that there is digital traceability for all of the data that support measurement services.*
- *The Digital NIST will help U.S. industry compete in global markets by meeting international standards requirements for accreditation, conformity, quality, and product safety, with an estimated financial benefit of \$Bs/year.*
- *The Digital NIST is a multi-year effort, estimated at \$25M/year for five years.*

## DCC evaluation

- Using NIST's Configurable Data Curation System (CDCS), which supports ingest of XML schemas
  - PTB DCC V3.1.0 uploaded and validated
- Will test against a representative sample of certificates of analysis (CoAs)
- Likely that we will need a different schema for CoAs, NIST calibration reports, and Standard Reference Data
  - A suite of Digital Certificates (DCs)
  - Use common elements where possible for maximum interoperability

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DCC  
in  
CDCS

## Sample certificate of analysis

**NIST** National Institute of Standards and Technology  
U.S. Department of Commerce

Date of Issue:  
10 December 2020

### Standard Reference Material® 2454a Hydrogen in Titanium Alloy (Nominal Mass Fraction 215 mg/kg H) (pin form)

#### CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

**Purpose:** This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is a titanium, 6% aluminum, 4% vanadium alloy intended primarily for use in evaluating chemical and instrumental methods for determination of hydrogen in titanium and its alloys. It can be used to validate value assignment of in-house reference materials.

**Description:** A unit of SRM 2454a consists of one bottle containing 10 g of pins having an approximate mass per pin of 0.10 g and approximate dimensions of 2.5 mm diameter and 4.5 mm length per pin.

**Certified Value:** The certified value is the estimated mean mass fraction of the element hydrogen in titanium for all bottles of SRM 2454a. A certified value is the present best estimate of the true value [1]. The certified value is metrologically traceable to the SI derived unit of mass fraction, expressed as milligrams per kilogram. The expanded uncertainty is an interval calculated for nominal 95% coverage using a Bayesian multilevel consensus model [2] in a manner consistent with the ISO/JCGM Guide [3-4], and it expresses contributions from all recognized sources of uncertainty.

Table 1. Certified Mass Fraction Value for SRM 2454a Hydrogen in Titanium Alloy

Constituent	Mass Fraction (mg/kg)	95 % Coverage Interval (mg/kg)
Hydrogen (H)	216.0	207.6 to 224.4

**Period of Validity:** The certification of SRM 2454a is valid, within the measurement uncertainty specified, until 30 June 2039, provided the SRM is handled and stored in accordance with the instructions given in this certificate. The certification is nullified if the SRM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

**Maintenance of Certified Values:** NIST will monitor this SRM to the end of the period of validity. If substantive technical changes occur that affect the certification before the expiration of this certificate, NIST will notify the purchaser. Registration (see attached sheet or register online) will facilitate notification.

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## Sample certificate of analysis

**Storage:** The material should be stored in its original, tightly capped bottle in a cool, dry location. Keep a new bottle sealed in the aluminized polyester pouch until time of use. Use a clean, dry tool to handle the pins, and do not touch the pins with any material likely to contaminate the surface with moisture or hydrocarbon compounds.

**Use:** To relate analytical determinations to the assigned value on this Certificate of Analysis, a minimum sample quantity of 0.1 g (1 pin) is recommended. The material does not require preparation prior to weighing. To use the uncertainty interval given in this certificate in comparisons and calculations, it is recommended to use an approximation to the combined standard uncertainty,  $u_c$ , equal to one fourth of the width of the 95% coverage interval given in Table 1.

**Source and Preparation:** The material for SRM 2454a was obtained in the form of pins prepared by White Horse Technical Services (Temple City, CA), using a proprietary procedure based on a process developed by NIST for development of SRMs 2452, 2453, and 2454 [5]. The material was bottled at NIST and sealed into aluminized polyester pouches. Homogeneity testing was performed at White Horse Technical Services using inert gas fusion with thermal conductivity detection following ASTM International E1447-09(2016) [6]. Material heterogeneity was low and fit for the purpose of value assignment with the standard deviation of a single determination of hydrogen equal to 0.8 mg/kg based on samples consisting of two pins each.

Quantitative analyses of the material for SRM 2454a were performed at NIST and at White Horse Technical Services. At NIST, prompt gamma-ray activation analysis (PGAA) was performed with each sample consisting of a single 0.10 g pin. At White Horse, inert gas fusion with thermal conductivity detection and standard additions calibration with pure H<sub>2</sub> gas was performed with each sample consisting of a single 0.10 g pin.

#### NOTICE TO USERS

NIST strives to maintain the SRM inventory supply, but NIST cannot guarantee the continued or continuous supply of any specific SRM. Accordingly, NIST encourages the use of this SRM as a primary benchmark for the quality and accuracy of the user's in-house reference materials and working standards. As such, the SRM should be used to validate the more routinely used reference materials in a laboratory. Comparisons between the SRM and in-house reference materials or working standards should take place at intervals appropriate to the conservation of the SRM and the stability of relevant in-house materials. For further guidance on how this approach can be implemented, contact NIST by email at [srms@nist.gov](mailto:srms@nist.gov).

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## Sample certificate of analysis

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\*\*\*\*\* End of Certificate \*\*\*\*\*

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## Digital NIST Plans

- Phase 1: DCC evaluation, schema extension development
  - Start of CY'22, joint effort of ORM, ODI, ITL
  - Nine months
  - Includes consultation with PTB, NPL
- Phase 2:
  - Work with staff to create appropriate templates for calibration reports and SRM certificates of analysis; SRM supporting data will be stored in the NIST Public Data Repository (joint effort of ORM and ODI)
  - Develop and implement appropriate DC schemas for NIST
  - Work with staff to develop appropriate data format for DC implementation
- Phase 3:
  - Transfer Digital NIST to US standards organizations and US manufacturing, support Industry 4.0
  - Develop secure repositories for DCs and supporting data, “metrology cloud” of integrated data and services

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## Resource Estimates

- Phase 1: DCC evaluation, schema extension development
  - Relies on currently available staff
  - ~12 staff-month effort
  - October 1, 2021 start
- Phases 2 and 3:
  - 12-15 FTEs
  - FY'23 + 4 years
  - Integrated Project Team (IPT) drawn from ODI, ORM, PML, ITL, OISM
  - Steering Group
- Plus distributed effort in retooling data acquisition and management such that all data supporting measurement services are FAIR
- Initiative in preparation, "Measurement Services Delivery Modernization and Upgrades"

## Summary

The Digital NIST represents a profound renovation of our measurement services and their foundational data that is essential to support NIST stakeholders and Industry 4.0

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### Abstract

A group of active research institutes and forerunner companies, including instrument manufacturers, calibration laboratories and end users, have established an ecosystem in Finland for more efficient and extensive digital utilization of measurement data. Key topics at the moment are digital calibration and automated data validation of measurement data, as well as digital calibration certificate (DCC). These include, e.g., traceability of the results in the digital format, reliable data transfer and operability between different user interfaces. The ecosystem has created a Proof of Concept (PoC) for humidity sensor calibration including DCC for relative humidity and temperature calibration sequence. A digital authentication replacing a traditional human signature was also demonstrated. In addition, a Python module was tested to modify xml code that enables reliable transfer of measurement results instead of making changes directly to the xml. The aim was to understand the benefits of DCC and implementation realities in the end-user processes. Related to DCC xml, the main findings were, e.g., that there are various ways to insert measurement data challenging achieving machine readability in the end. The other practical challenge was the lack of support for measurement resolution, which caused issues in uncertainty calculations in the receiving system. At the moment, several project preparations are ongoing both in national and international level. At the same time activities are taken to strengthen and widen the current digital data ecosystem. Next steps are to be towards digital infrastructure, which enables DCC but is not limited to that. New opportunities and ways of working are sought towards fully digital calibration processes and automated data validation processes. Results, ideas, and future plans will be shown in the presentation.

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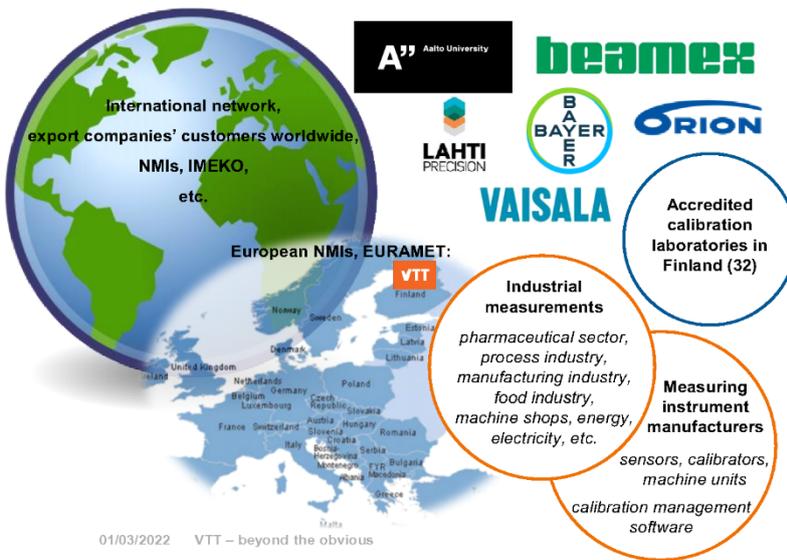
# Towards DCC implementation in Finland

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## Digital data ecosystem in Finland, focus on DCC (Digital Calibration Certificate)



### NETWORK & COOPERATION PARTNERS

Digital calibration certificate and new possibilities it creates resonates with every operator in the field of metrology – both those who are directly or indirectly related to measurements and/or calibrations.

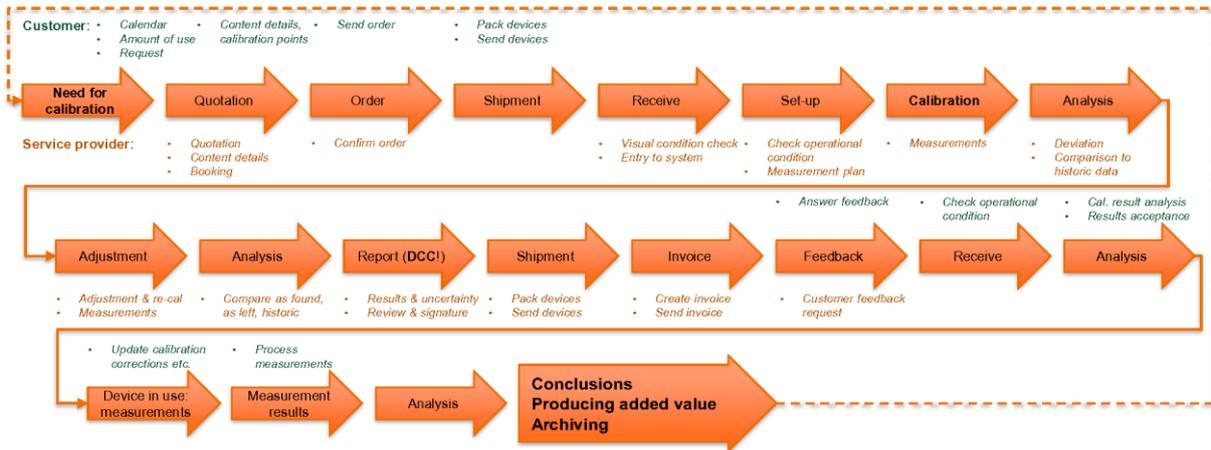
Stakeholders in different positions (industrial end users, accredited laboratories, national metrology institutes, international and European cooperation) are actively involved in digital data ecosystem creation and related operations. The group is continuously expanding.



DCC-system enables seamless digital calibration process for, and between, all operators

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## Calibration process



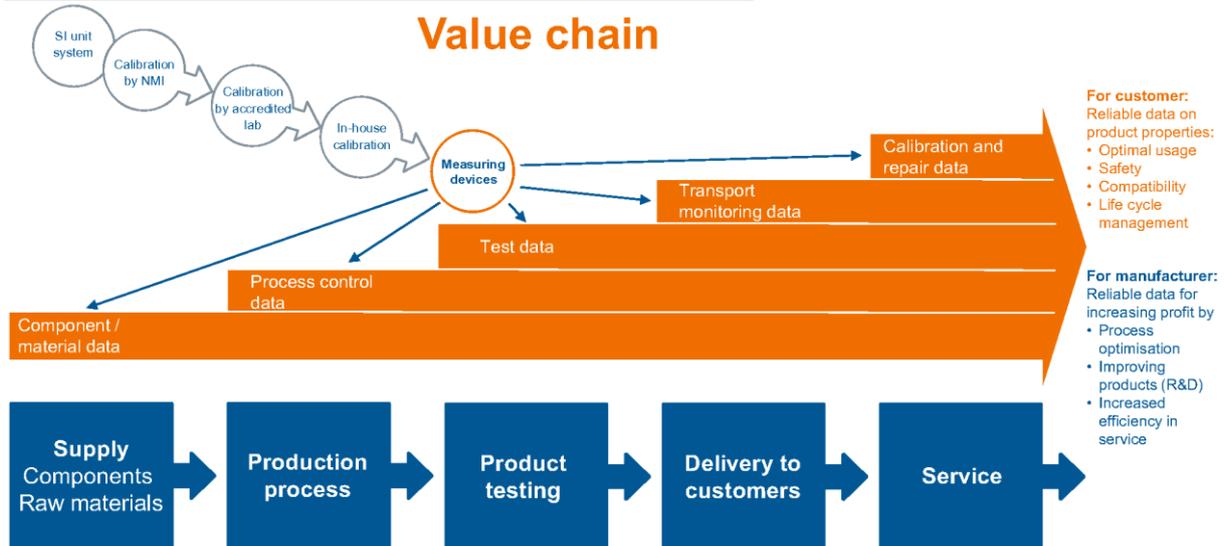
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A huge amount of calibration data is managed in a value chain but efficient digital means to transfer the data is missing

Digital transformation is a cross-sectional enabling theme not limited to paperless functions only

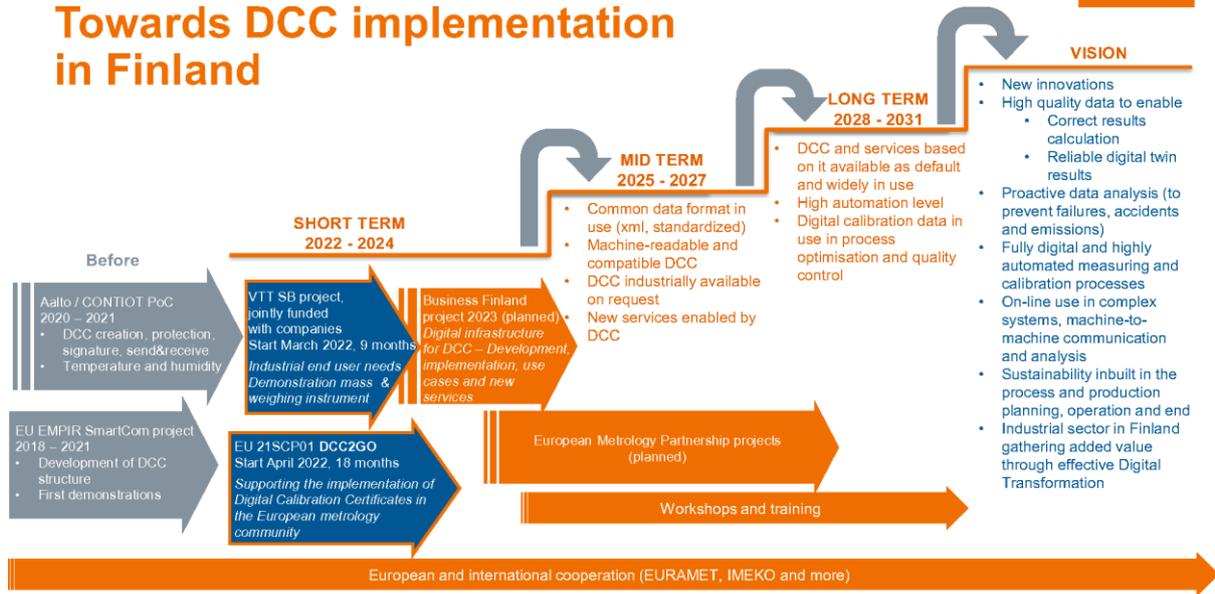
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## Value chain



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# Roadmap Towards DCC implementation in Finland



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## Session “Industrial Applications, Requirements and Examples”

### Need from industry on the DCC concerning harmonization and a regulating structure

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#### Abstract

From an industrial view, the XML Scheme Definition (XSD) for a DCC developed by the PTB is a powerful and flexible tool that has the potential to become a success story in the digitalization of metrology in general and calibration activities in particular and thus opens up completely new ways with regard to the use of calibration data.

However, its flexibility is curse and blessing at the same time – while it allows to use the scheme for presumably every measurand and every type of calibration, it also bears the risk of parallel incompatible developments. From industry’s perspective it is of utmost importance that DCCs issued by different laboratories are compatible with each other in the sense that a potential customer can change from one laboratory to another without having to adopt his software tools or infrastructure. Otherwise, unnecessary hurdles for a free choice of provider would be the consequence for customers and a threat to free competition.

Therefore, CECIP as a representative of an important part of the measurement instrument industry is underlining the need for harmonized best practice examples for DCCs in order to avoid heterogeneity of DCCs and is going to suggest some kind of regulating structure as a central controlling body for such best practice examples.

Such an international “controlling body” should be flexible, fast, and not overregulating in order to not delay the developments and progress of digitalization. If this is guaranteed, CECIP is convinced that such a “controlling body” can be an important guarantee for the success of the DCC.



### **Need from industry on the DCC concerning harmonization and a regulating structure**

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## Agenda

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- Introduction CECIP
- CECIP's general perception of the DCC
- Risk of the DCC
- Requirements on the DCC
- DCC infrastructure

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## Introduction CECIP

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- CECIP is the European association for national trade organisations representing the European manufacturers of weighing instruments.
- Founded in 1958, CECIP has today 14 members:
  - 11 national member associations: Austria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland and United Kingdom
  - 3 company members from Portugal, Sweden and Turkey.
- CECIP is striving for common and harmonised standards to be adopted at European and International levels in order to provide safety and quality to both consumers and users of weighing instruments.
- CECIP aims to provide valuable contributions to improve the quality of legislation and standards.

## CECIP's general perception of the DCC

- powerful and flexible tool
- potential to become a success story in the digitalization of metrology in general and calibration activities in particular
- opens up completely new ways with regard to the use of calibration data
- might become a role model for the digitalization of further processes (declaration of conformity, verifications,.....)

## Risk of the DCC

- The high flexibility of the DCC scheme bears the risk of parallel developments and thus incompatible implementations
- (Most) humans are intelligent and can process information context-sensitively
- Machines can't (or can only with a lot of effort)

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## Risk of the DCC

- Different ways where/how to represent e.g. the temperature are possible with the DCC as well:

### General notation of Max and Min:

```

dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:measurementResult
    dcc:influenceConditions
      dcc:influenceCondition
        <dcc:list id="temperatur">
          <dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">temperature</dcc:content></dcc:name>
          <dcc:quantity><dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">from</dcc:content></dcc:name>
          <si:real><si:value>19,8</si:value><si:unit>degreeCelsius</si:unit</si:real>
          </dcc:quantity>
          <dcc:quantity>
            <dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">to</dcc:content></dcc:name>
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          </dcc:quantity>
        </dcc:list>
      </dcc:influenceCondition>
    </dcc:influenceConditions>
    dcc:results
      dcc:result
  </dcc:measurementResult>
</pre>

```

Temperatura otoczenia: (19,8 + 21,9) °C

## Risk of the DCC

- Different ways where/how to represent e.g. the temperature are possible with the DCC as well:

### General notation of initial and final value:

```

dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:measurementResult
    dcc:influenceConditions
      dcc:influenceCondition
        <dcc:list id="temperatur">
          <dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">temperature</dcc:content></dcc:name>
          <dcc:quantity><dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">initial</dcc:content></dcc:name>
          <si:real><si:value>20,5</si:value><si:unit>degreeCelsius</si:unit</si:real>
          </dcc:quantity>
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	inicial	final
Temperatura [°C]	20,5	20,6

## Risk of the DCC

- Different ways where/how to represent e.g. the temperature are possible with the DCC as well:

### General notation of mean and „span“ as uncertainty:

```

dcc:measurementResults
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    dcc:influenceConditions
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<b>Temperatura media</b> <b>(Average ambient</b> <b>temperature)</b>  <b>(17,8 ± 1,0) °C</b>
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## Risk of the DCC

- Different ways where/how to represent e.g. the temperature are possible with the DCC as well:

### Notation per result, „row-wise“:

```

dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:measurementResult
    dcc:results
      dcc:result
        dcc:influenceConditions
          <dcc:influenceCondition id="temperature">
            <dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">temperature</dcc:content></dcc:name>
            <si:real><si:value>20.5</si:value><si:unit>ldegreeCelsius</si:unit</si:real>
          </dcc:quantity>
          ... (measurement result 1 here)....
        dcc:result
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              <si:real><si:value>20.6</si:value><si:unit>ldegreeCelsius</si:unit</si:real>
            </dcc:quantity>
          ... (measurement result 2 here)....
    
```

Nominal value /a.u.	Meas. result /a.u.	Temperature /°C
1	1.001	20.5
2	1.999	20.6
...	...	...

## Risk of the DCC

- Different ways where/how to represent e.g. the temperature are possible with the DCC as well:

### Notation per result, „column-wise“:

```

dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:measurementResult
    dcc:influenceConditions
      <dcc:influenceCondition refType="basic_temperature">
        <dcc:name><dcc:content lang="en">temperature</dcc:content></dcc:name>
        <si:realListXMLList>
          <si:valueXMLList>20.5 20.6 ...</si:valueXMLList><si:unitXMLList>degreeCelsius</si:unitXMLList>
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      </si:realListXMLList>
    ...
  
```

Nominal value /a.u.	1	2	...
Meas. result /a.u.	1.001	1.999	...
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...	...	...	

## Requirements on the DCC

- DCCs for the same measurands/types of measuring instruments from different labs **MUST** be processable with the same import module
- DCCs for different measurands/types of measuring instruments **SHOULD** be processable with the same import module
- **General rules needed for all measurands/types of measuring instruments**
  - Denoting accredited/non-accredited results
  - Terminology/namespaces
  - Preferred structures for measurand classes/types of measuring instruments
- **Detailed “Best Practice Guides” for particular measurands/calibration procedures are needed**

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## DCC infrastructure

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- To avoid parallel (contradicting) developments, a „DCC instance“ could officially assign the definition of a Best Practice Guide to a particular stakeholder group (see „companion specifications“ at OPC-UA)
- Such an international “controlling body” should be flexible, fast and not overregulating in order to not delay the developments and progress of digitalization.
- If this is guaranteed, CECIP is convinced that such a “controlling body” can be an important guarantee for the success of the DCC.



**Thank you**



## Digital Calibration Certificate - Proof of concept for Regulated Process Industry

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### Abstract

The digital calibration certificate (DCC) has seen significant development as a format recently. There have not yet been many tests in the actual industrial environments to test the applicability of the DCC for industrial end users. To test the industrial applicability of the DCC, a Proof-of-concept project was initiated and executed to test the usage of the DCC in Pharmaceutical environment. The Proof-of-concept 1 (PoC 1) concentrated on testing the process of creating, securing, transferring, and receiving a DCC for a temperature sensor. The project consortium consisted of five partners: Industrial end user (Boehringer Ingelheim), German Metrology Institute and DCC specialist (PTB), calibration service provider (Testo), calibration solution provider (Beamex) and IT infrastructure provider (Aalto University of Finland). The calibration service provider was responsible for generating the DCC from their calibration management system according to the format provided by the PTB. The DCC was then secured with an electronic signature and transferred to the end user with a transfer platform. The end user imported the DCC to their calibration management system, checked against the predefined procedure and approved the calibration result. As a result of the PoC 1, first part of fully digitalized end-to-end calibration process from calibration provider to instrument owner was tested and demonstrated. The successful execution of the PoC 1 provides one approach of the middleware for DCC processing, data extraction and human readable output. The PoC 1 presents an example of DCC implementation in a highly regulated environment of pharmaceutical industry and a good practice example for temperature calibration. According to PoC 1 results achieved additional PoC's have to be executed, to fully test and demonstrate target end to end process including Digital Calibration Request (DCR) for process industries specific calibration procedures transfer.



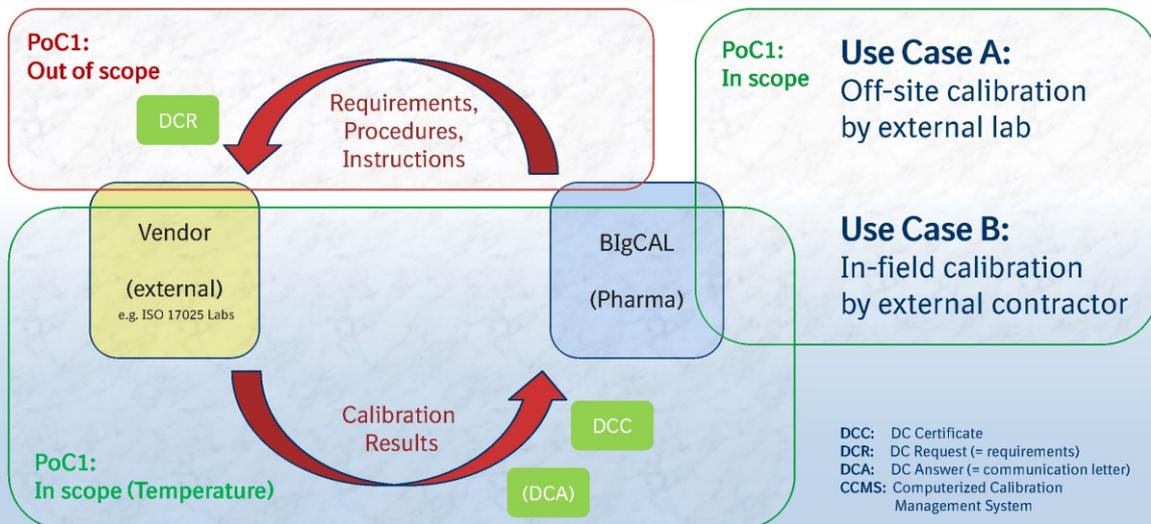
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2<sup>nd</sup> DCC Conference, March 2022

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## Use Cases – DCC End-to-End Process



## Scope of PoC1



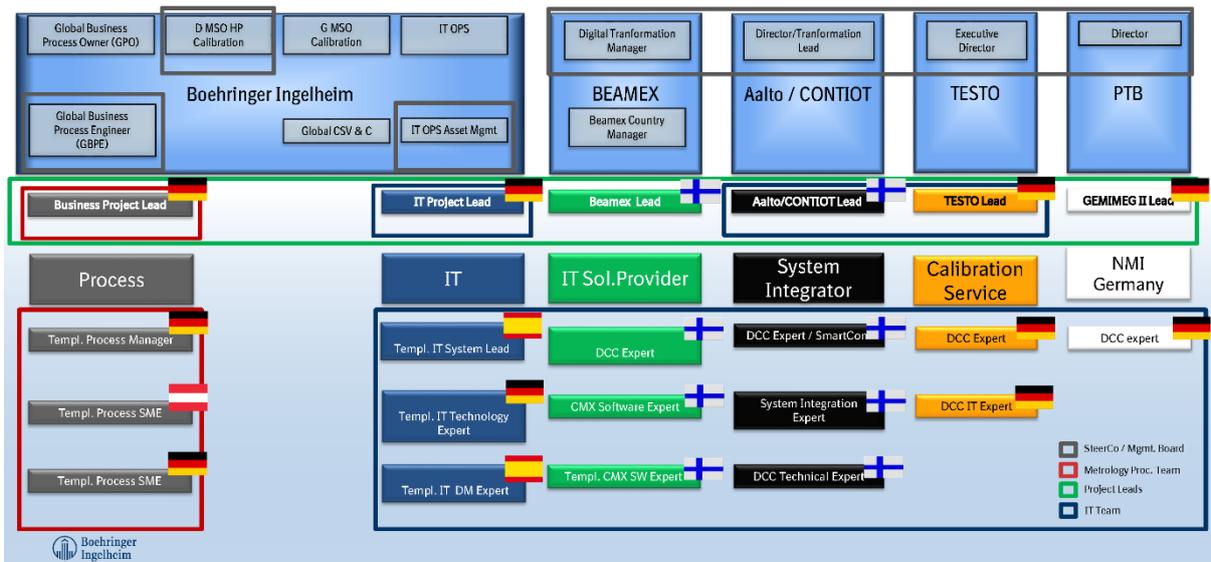
- Quality of certificate: Non-/unaccredited (field calibration) + accredited (lab) certificate
- Measurement quantity **<temperature>**
- Create DCC files based on DCC standard XML schema (V. 3.0)
- Develop secure DCC data transmission / sharing platform for E2E system integration / interoperability
- Import DCC - XML data into Beamex CMX database (CCMS)
- Approval by Customer (to complete internal calibration process) ✓ *executed Dec. 2020 -> Jun. 2021*

### Important positive site effect:

- Establishing of first DCC “**Good Practice Example**” for temperature

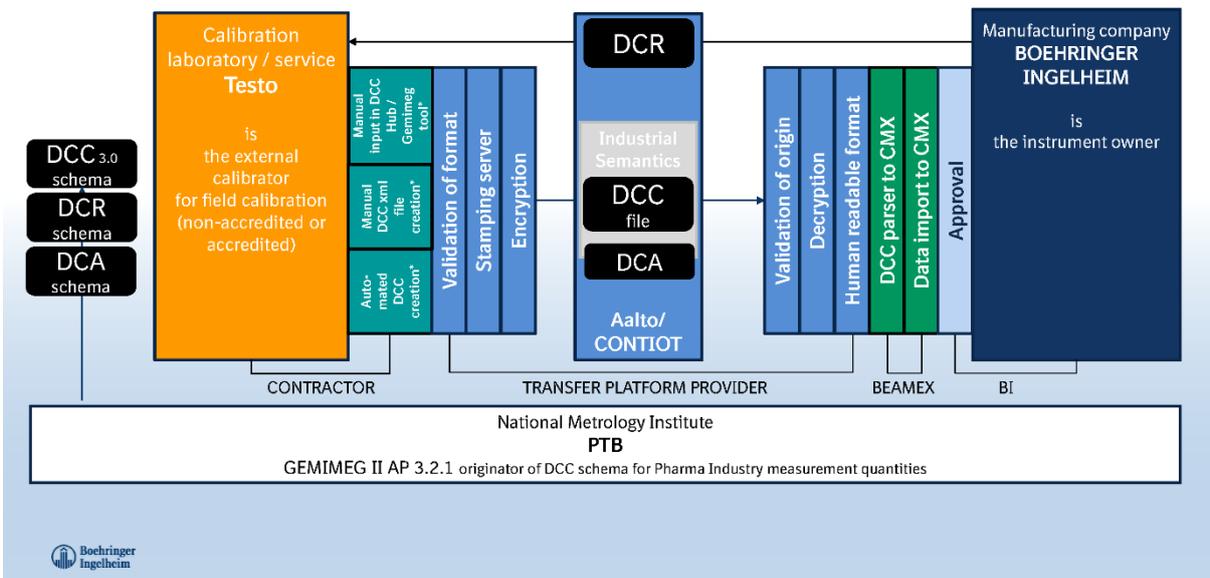


## BI DCC (PoC) Project Organization

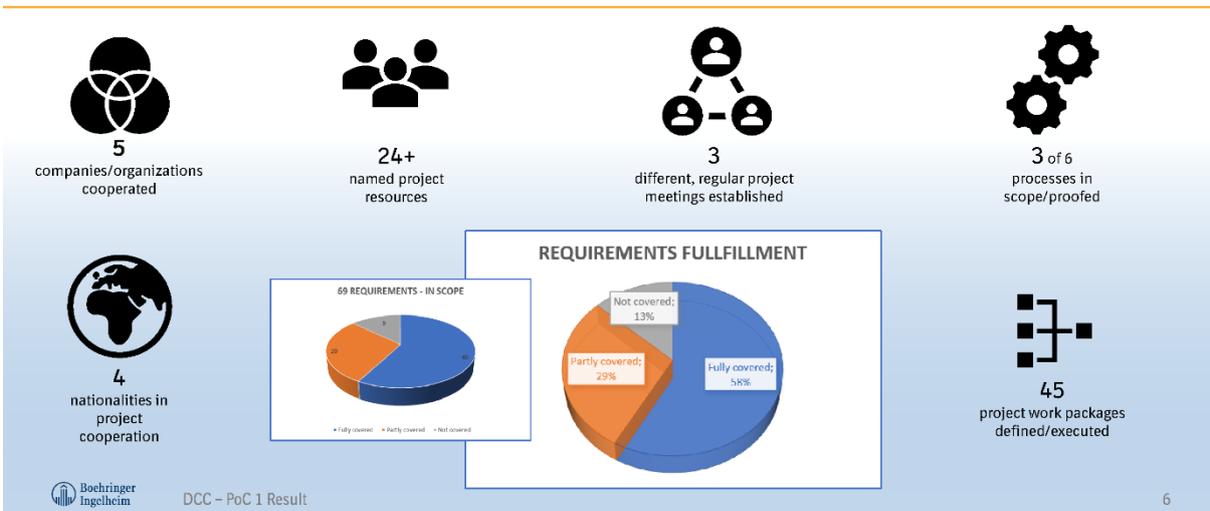


# Validating DCC solutions in an end-to-end process

Proof of Concept (PoC)



## DCC Poc 1 – Project Facts & Figures



# DCC Innovation Framework

interdependencies / restrictions



## Interdependencies

- German NMI to drive [global DCC standard](#) and providing [further DCC schemes / stencils](#) (ie. humidity; pressure; flow; mass)
- Acceptance of the DCC by the [relevant authorities](#) (EMA, FDA, ...)
- Support by [strategic calibration service provider](#) for future DCC development
- BEAMEX to [drive DCC capability](#) to be part of commercial of the shelf calibration solution (CMX / LOGICAL)

## Restrictions

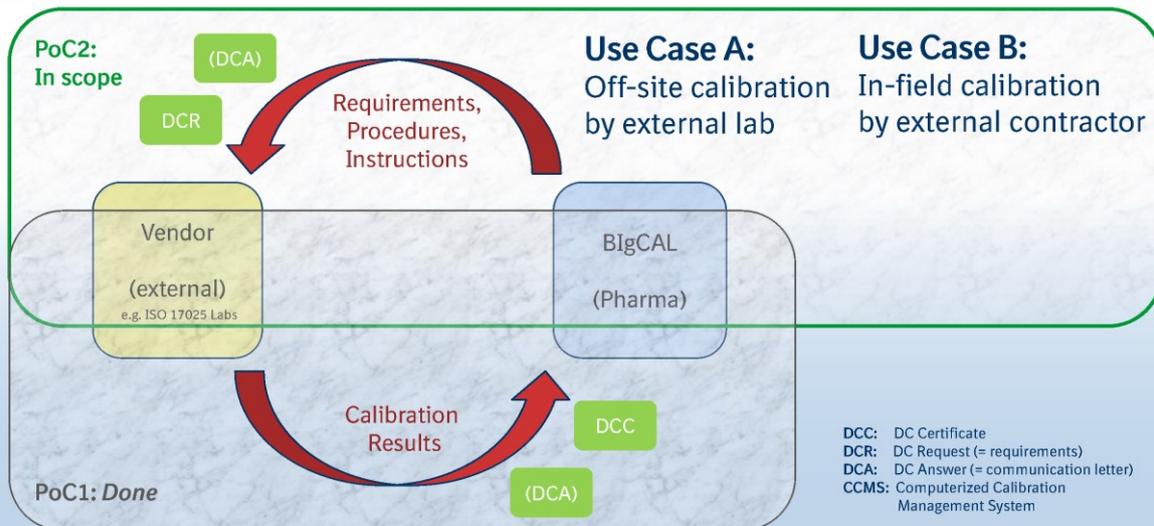
- BI [Resources & Budget](#)
- Active [support](#) from [Beamex Pharma Group](#) cooperation partners
- Fulfillment of [legal requirements](#) for onboarding of new innovation driving partners/vendors ([Non Disclosure Agreement NDA](#))
- Data [security requirements](#) to be met

## But ...

- BI DCC team will [continue to take care](#) of it and [drive the further development](#) for the implementation of DCC into our BigCAL process



## Conclusion: DCR in Scope of PoC 2



## DCC PoC Framework / Approach

Outlook, what's required?



### Establish close collaboration and commitment

Reliable partners and technologies

- NMI (PTB) -> **already worked well** ✓
- DCC “Sharing Hub” platform provider -> **to be established** X
- Service provider for DCC XML-Schema development and maintenance -> **to be established** X
- Calibration Service provider -> **already worked well** ✓
- Calibration Management solution provider -> **already worked well** ✓



## Improving DCC-results by post-processing

Presenting author Hans Koch, da+d, Germany

### Abstract

The machine readability of DCC reduces the hurdle for post-processing immanent with conventional calibration certificates.

It will be shown by a case study from the NIST/SEMATEC Handbook (<https://ogy.de/e9kl>), how to gain added value:

- more reliable means and uncertainties than those given in the DCC
- a calibration curve with an associated uncertainty function
- reduction of uncertainties by exploiting correlations (up to a factor of 3 in the case study mentioned above!).

The calculations presented in the NIST Handbook may be substantially simplified by utilizing the Python-package "uncertainties" (<https://ogy.de/h23f>).

# Improving DCC-results by post-processing

Hans Koch

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The data analysis presented here is

- not new and may be found in chapter 2.3.6.5.1. of <https://www.itl.nist.gov/div898/handbook/>.
- However, the program code has been simplified considerably thanks to the Python package "uncertainties" (<https://ogv.de/h23f>).



Main message:

With conventional calibration certificates the input values for these calculations have to be extracted in a very elaborate manner, whereas

**with a DCC it is done in a flash!**

One line of code reads the whole list from the **<si:valueXMLList>**-element:

```
root.find("./dcc:metaData[@refType='basic_setValue']/dcc:data/dcc:quantity/si:realListXMLList/si:valueXMLList", ns)
```

DCC cutout:

```
- <dcc:measurementMetaData>
  - dcc:metaData refType="basic_setValue">
    - <dcc:declaration>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Kalibrierpunkt</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Calibration value</dcc:content>
    </dcc:declaration>
    dcc:data>
      dcc:quantity>
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          <si:unitXMLList> \kilo\kilogram\metre\tothe{-1}
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```

### Plotting the data and adding a linear fit:

```

root, ns = getRoot()

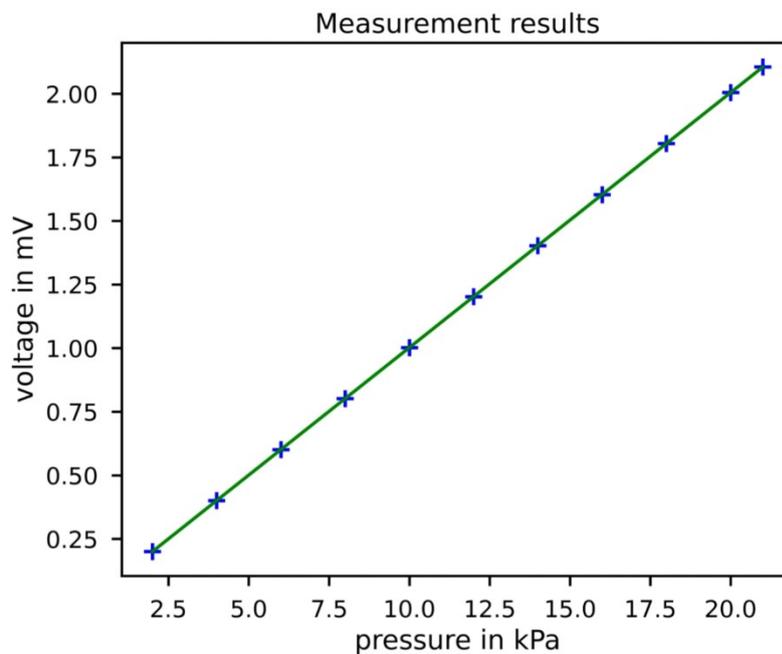
setData = root.find("./dcc:metaData[@refType='basic_setValue']/dcc:d
x = np.array(setData.text.split(), dtype=float)

measData = root.find("./dcc:quantity[@refType='basic_measuredValue']
y = np.array(measData.text.split(), dtype=float)

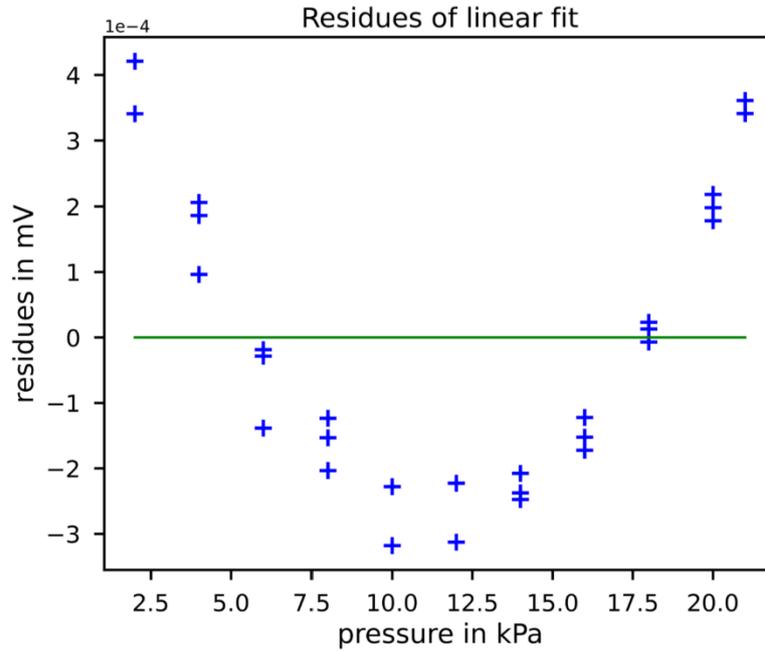
x1, y1, results = linFit(x,y)

# plotting:
ax = ff.fig_frame("""Measurement results""", r'pressure in kPa',r'vol
ax.plot(x,y,'b+',ms=10, mew=2)
ax.plot(x1,y1,'g-',lw=2)
    
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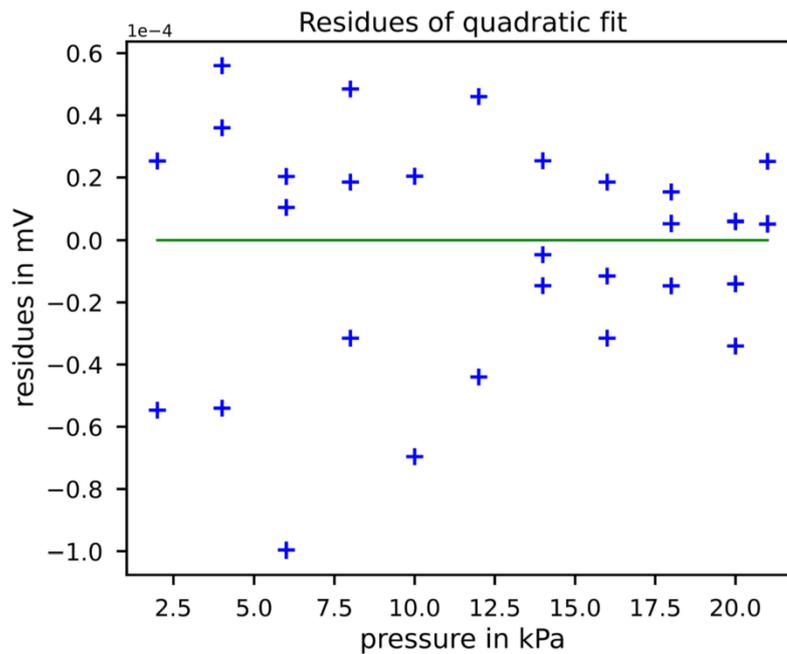
### Plotting the data (+) and adding a linear fit ( \_ ):



Plotting residues to a linear fit: `x1, y1, results = linFit(x,y)`  
`rsd = results.resid`



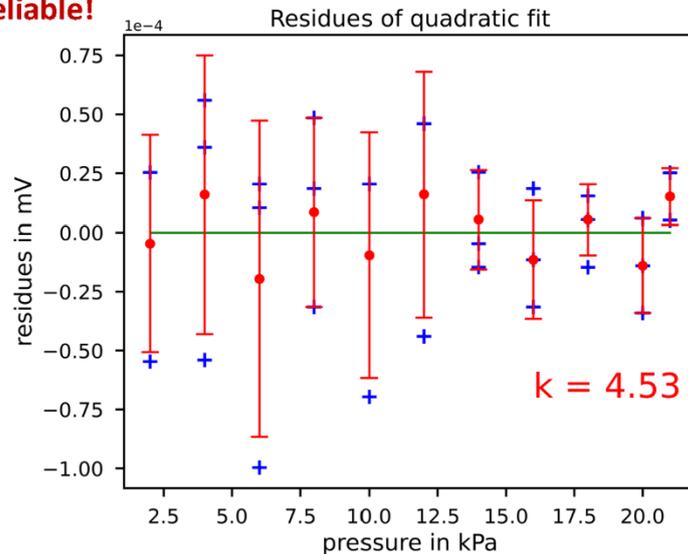
Plotting residues to a quadratic fit (now **"under statistical control"**):



Information given by the calibration certificate:

- 1) mean
  - 2) expanded uncertainty
- for **only 3** data points  
for each pressure set value.

**This is statistically quite unreliable!**



Calculating an uncertainty **function**  
considering **correlations** of the fit parameters  
Utilizing the "uncertainty"-package of Python

```
x1, y1, results = quadFit(x,y)
rsd = results.resid

a,b,c = results.params
cov = results.cov_params()

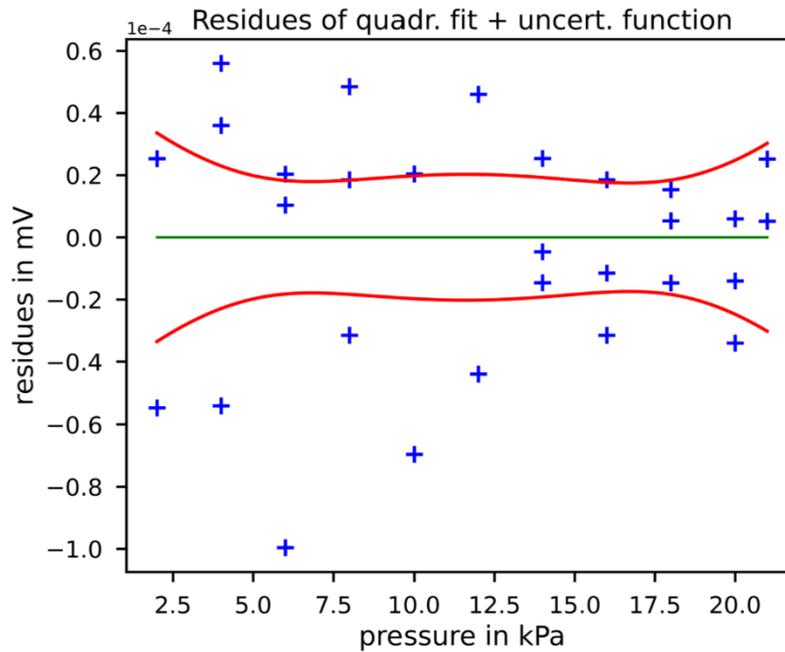
from uncertainties import correlated_values, unumpy
(a1,b1,c1) = correlated_values([a, b, c], cov)

xr = unumpy.uarray(np.linspace(x[0],x[-1],100), 0.0)
y = a1 + b1*xr + c1*xr*xr

# plotting:
ax = ff.fig_frame("""Residues of quadr. fit + uncert. function""", r'pr)
ax.plot(x, rsd, 'b+', ms=10, mew=2)
ax.plot([x[0],x[-1]], [0,0], 'g', lw=1.5)

ax.plot(unumpy.nominal_values(xr), unumpy.std_devs(y)*2.0, 'r', lw=2)
ax.plot(unumpy.nominal_values(xr), -unumpy.std_devs(y)*2.0, 'r', lw=2)
```

### Calculated uncertainty function



#### Outcome:

- Since the fit function and the uncertainty function are based on 30 DOF (degrees of freedom) as opposed to 2 DOF before, these results are statistically far more reliable.
- Both functions span over the whole device range and are valid for intermediate values as well.
- The uncertainty values are smaller than those tabulated in the DCC.

Hint: in the NIST/SEMATECH handbook the calculation consider the inverse of the calibration curve as well. This was omitted here for clarity reasons.

## Digitalization of information and the impact of DCC on workflows

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### Abstract

The covid-19 pandemic has impacted the world by accelerating technological changes that were thought to be unnecessary, but in recent years it has come to rethink strategies, providing the opportunity to carry out a digital transformation, and metrology is no exception.

Industrial and IT technologies currently play an important role in the acceleration of processes and workflows, which brings competitive advantages in terms of time reduction and process efficiency.

It is important to consider the need to digitize data and processes within metrology laboratories, as well as the impact of the calibration certificate (DCC) on workflows in the value chain, optimizing communication between the different elements that compose it.

By ensuring that machines are capable of interpreting and processing information, data and status exchange is achieved throughout the process, minimizing errors and time in production processes.

Finally, progress is shown in the proposals of the National Metrology Centre of Mexico (CENAM) on the way to developing the DCC.

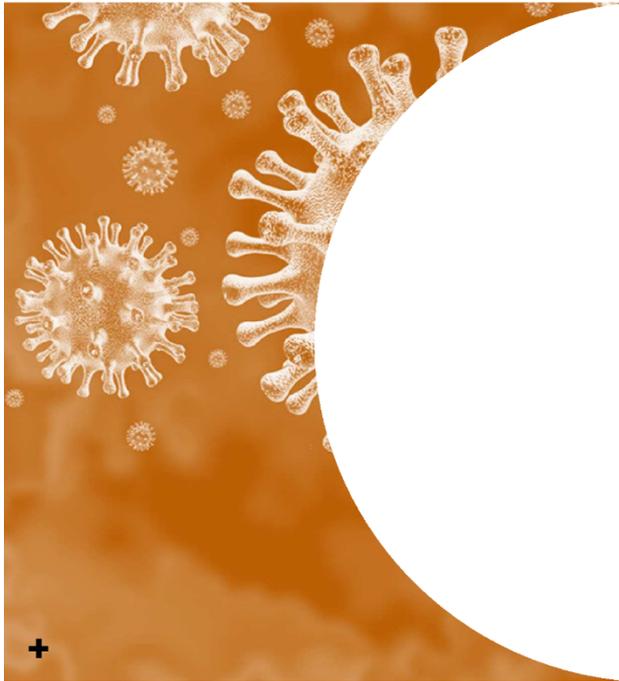


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**Digitalization  
of **information** and  
the impact of **DCC**  
on **workflows**.**

Centro Nacional de Metrología





# COVID 19,

Evidenced the **shortcomings and lags** in the areas of **information sciences** and **technology**

**Resistance** to change

Need of **innovation** in the workflows



## New Needs and future services

These gaps direct our efforts to **improve** the **calibration process**.



### Implementation of DCC

Streamline workflows





# Starting the change,



Digital maturity



Strategic alliances



Business opportunities



## AGILE Methodologies

# Constant innovation,

As part of the organizational culture



### Technology adoption

Adopting technologies that serve to speed up the process



### Digitalization of information

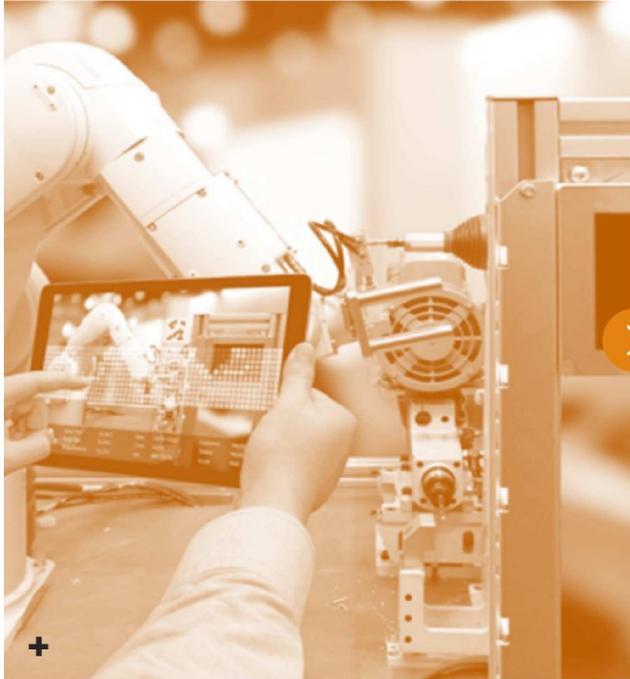
Digitalization of information for data exchange



### Process optimization

More efficient processes for better results





# Closing

Global solution

reducing errors, accelerating response times, and reducing costs

Changes are good, and if they are for the benefit of all, even so more

Strengthen your value chain



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## Digital Quantities and Units for the MII

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### Abstract

NCSLI members have worked on a measurement information infrastructure (MII), a digital transformation for metrology, since 2013. The effort soon concluded that machine-readable measurement data would require uniquely identifying the measurand quantity and that relying only on representing measurement units would not suffice. The NCSLI 141 MII & Automation Committee has a test bed that contains a basic database of quantities and units for reference in developing digital metrology document structures. Having neared the point of publishing a digital accreditation-statement document format, the committee would like to replace this development database with a registry of unique identifiers for quantities and units. Such a registry would facilitate wide-scale interoperability of digital certificates and other metrology data.

This presentation will explore efforts toward that goal.

## Digital Quantities and Units for the MII



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## Section 1

## Introduction

## Today's Topics

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Digital Transformation (DX) and Successful Adoption
- 3 The NCSLI (MII) Approach to Quantities and Units
- 4 Conclusion

## Acronyms

### Definition

**MII** (measurement information infrastructure)

—set of normative [standards](#) that unambiguously define data structures, taxonomies, service protocols and security [for locating, communicating and sharing measurement information](#)

- IQI—international quality infrastructure
- DX—digital transformation
- NCSLI—NCSL International
- SoA—scope of accreditation
- [M-Layer](#)—information layer to support metrological data and application types

## Section 2

### Digital Transformation (DX) and Successful Adoption

## An IQI Foundation

The IQI remains key to world-wide commerce—product acceptance and interoperability.

A more challenging future environment presents problems though:

- An agile, automated world demanding **inexpensive, fast service**
- Sheer numbers of measuring instruments: e.g., **IoT devices**
- Intolerance to **lost value in manual processes**

## Digital Transformation

Metrology's DX has begun but lags other industries:

- science, manufacturing, travel, banking, entertainment, ...

The MII initiative envisions a DX solution with **opportunities**:

- **Higher quality and reduced costs** via automation
- **New value** from digitalized measurement information
- New products, services, business

A digitally transformed IQI **might** ensure continued viability.

## Barriers to Success

DX will solve the problem and foster innovation if

- [fit-for-purpose](#) and [championed for adoption](#).

**Simple digitization will not suffice.** That only . . .

- changes the package, the wrapper,
- prolongs existing manual processes and weaknesses,
- retains ambiguity that foils machine consumption,
- leaves us with manual processing in a different form.

## Critical Success Factors

True fit-for-purpose DX requires [rethinking our processes](#) to leverage digital technology.

For true DX we should:

- [Rethink](#) our processes [from the ground up](#).
- Replace our manual shortcuts.
- [Discard pragmatic practices](#) for extensible replacements.
- [Champion adoption](#) within top-level authorities.

[Value-creating innovation and production drive demand](#), not consumers.

No one ever asked for a streaming music service to replace their phonograph.

"Build it and they will come."

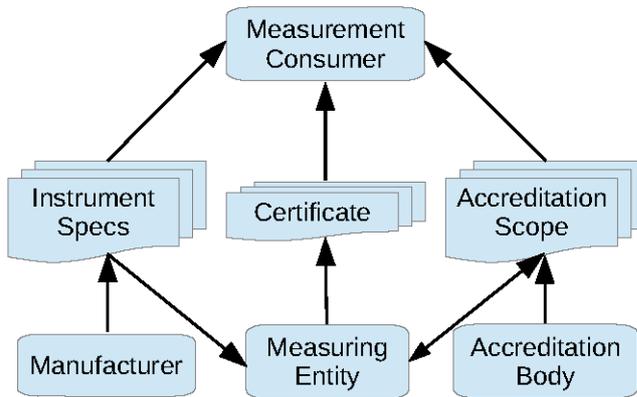
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## The NCSLI (MII) Approach to Quantities and Units

 NCSLI International and the MII

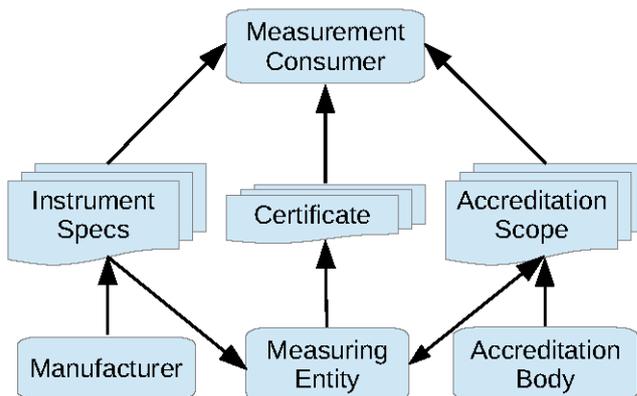
- NCSLI International
  - Established 1960, now at <https://ncsli.org/>
  - Volunteer-driven, measurement-science professional organization
  - Annual conference, standards & practice publications, tutorials, webinars
  - *Metrologist* magazine, *Measure* journal
- NCSLI 141 MII & Automation Committee
  - Reformulated at the 2015 annual conference
  - Chartered to develop MII digital documents and facilitate related products
  - Updates in *Metrologist* and *Cal Lab*
  - See <http://miiknowledge.wikidot.com/>

## MII Digital Documents in the Measurement Economy



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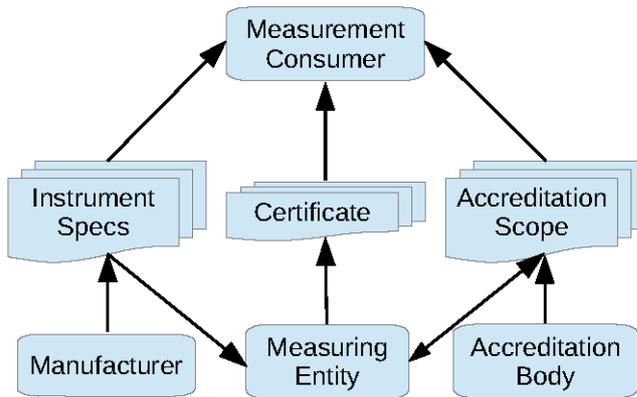
### Where to start?

Calibration certificates: **billions**  
 Instrument specifications: **millions**  
 Accreditation scopes: **thousands**

### Emphasis on commercial products:

- Practicable, yet extensible
- Minimum viable product: **SoA**
- Leverage the SoA structure to inform instrument specifications, certificates

## MII Digital Documents in the Measurement Economy

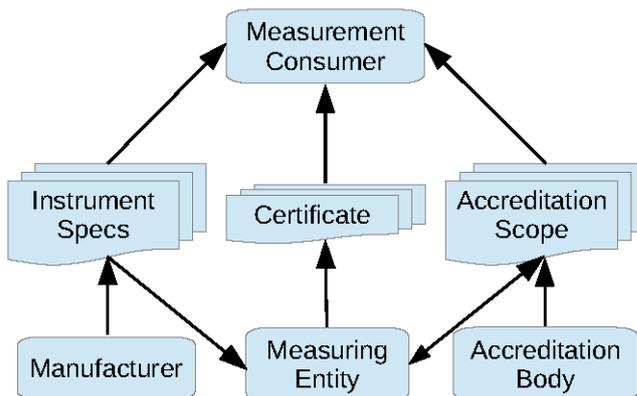


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### MII Design Requirements

- Standardization (norms)
- **Interoperability** (unambiguous)
- Data Completeness (full data retention)
- Identity (reusable data)
- Extensibility (compatible versioning)
- Authentication and Authorization (ownership)
- Revocation (withdrawal)

## MII Digital Documents in the Measurement Economy



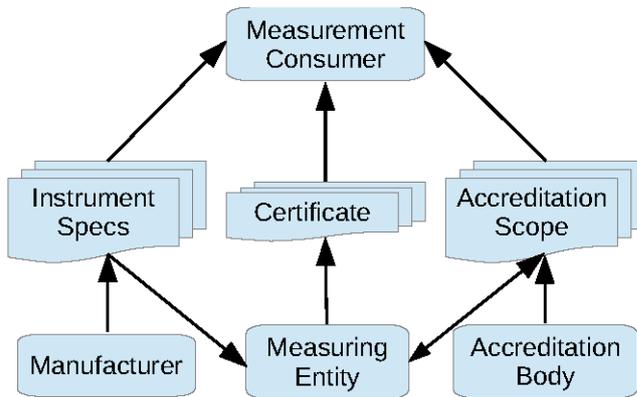
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### Rethinking measurands ...

Current representations work for humans but remain **inoperable for machines**.

- Free-text quantity descriptions
- Multiple quantities per unit
- Endless dimensionless quantities
- Implicit scale-type traps
- Exceptional cases (e.g., kg)
- Objections fill the literature.

## MII Digital Documents in the Measurement Economy



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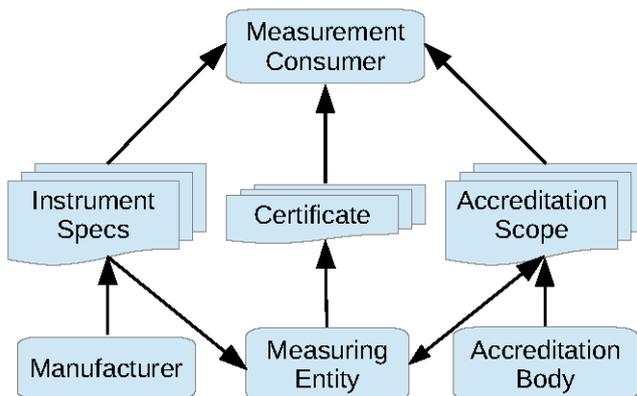
Machines require **metadata** to process documents correctly.

Measurement metadata = measurand descriptions = **MII taxons**

∴ The MII uses a standard measurand taxonomy drawn from a **test-bed quantity** database.

SoA	Measure.Voltage.DC
Spec	Source.Voltage.DC
Cert	Source.Voltage.DC

## MII Digital Documents in the Measurement Economy



All three documents revolve around measurement information and so share a common data structure.

However, the MII **test-bed** lacks

- Global interoperability
- Scale & operator definitions
- Quantity relations

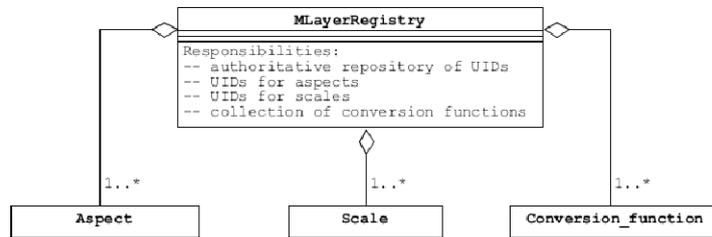
∴ We want a more general metrology information basis (the **M-Layer**).

$\langle q \rangle$  aspect—generalized “quantity”  
 $q$  numeric (usually) value  
 $[Q]$  unit or other scale reference

## The M-Layer

### Principles

- Support diverse metrological data and fully exploit DX.
- Capture scale types, relations and meaningful operations.
- Render familiar (e.g. SI) representations in documents.



The M-layer would comprise an **authoritative register of unique identifiers** for aspects, scales (units), and conversion functions. (Blair Hall (MSL) and M. Kuster)

Not only ratio scales, but interval, cyclic, logarithmic, ordinal and nominal scales

## Section 4

### Conclusion

## Next Steps

We recommend that all digital documents incorporate M-layer principles.

At present, we plan to ...

- Continue modeling M-Layer data.
- Solidify and populate the M-Layer for testing.
  - Quantities, scales, units definitions and interrelations
  - Measurand taxonomy
- Involve stakeholders to refine the documents: Labs, ABs, manufacturers, ...
- [Replace the MII quantity-unit development DB with the M-Layer.](#)
- Incorporate into applications (commercial, internal, open-source).

## Acknowledgments

Many thanks go to the

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- PTB Leadership for its DX emphasis
- NCSL International for its MII support
- NCSL International 141 MII and Automation Committee participants for their development work

And Thank You for your time!

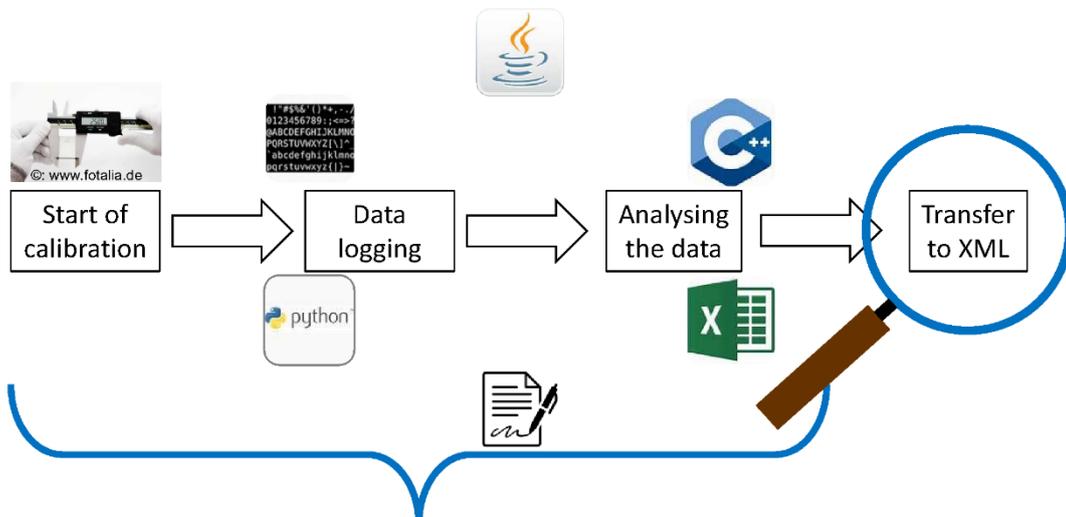
We would like to collaborate with [your](#) DX effort.

- NCSL International Workshop & Symposium, August 20 to 24, 2022
- [Call for papers: https://ncsli.org/page/WS22CP](https://ncsli.org/page/WS22CP)

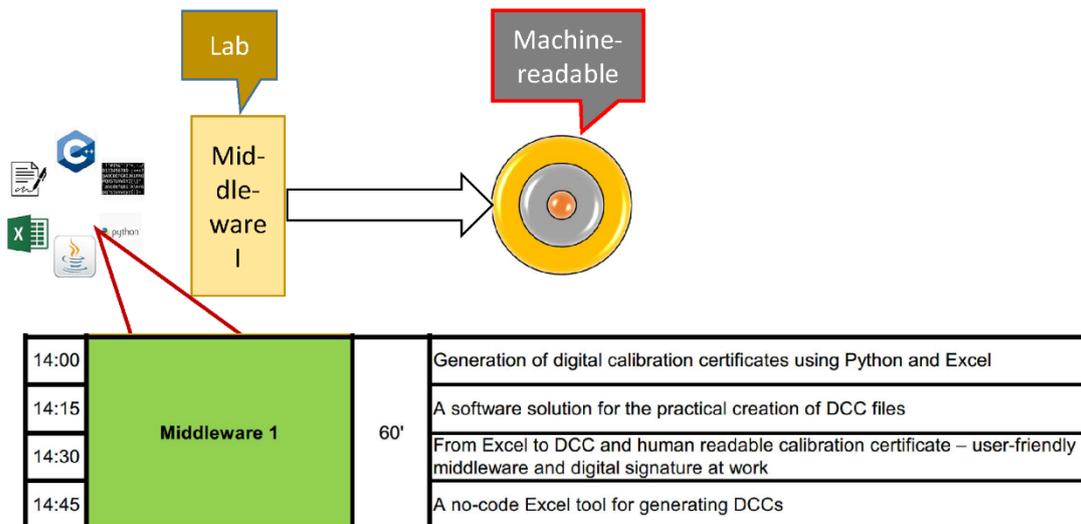
## Program

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12:30		
12:45		
13:00	DCC and Sensors	
13:15	Coffee Break	
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13:45	Middleware 1	
14:00		
14:15		
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14:45	DCC and Accreditation	
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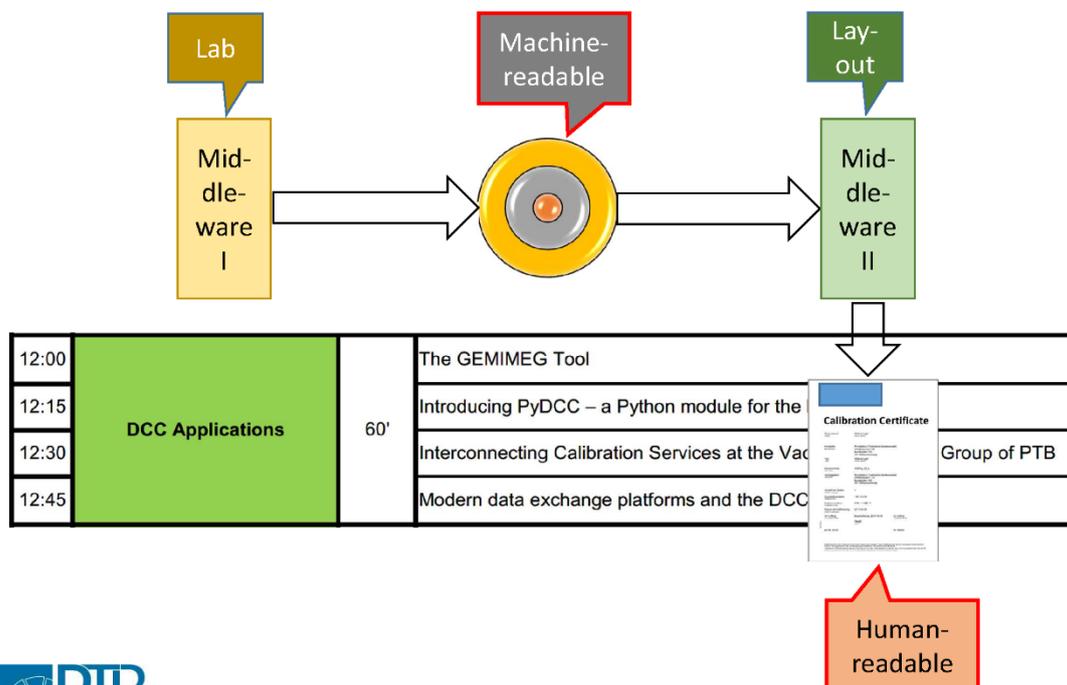
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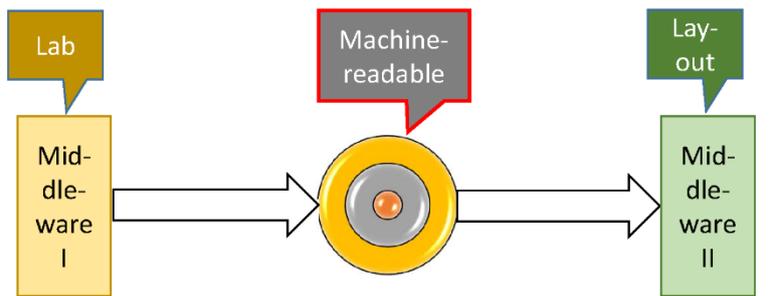
## Transfer to XML



## Human Readable



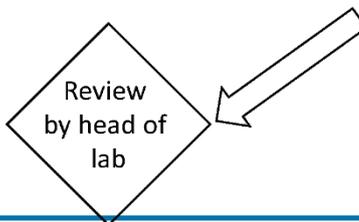
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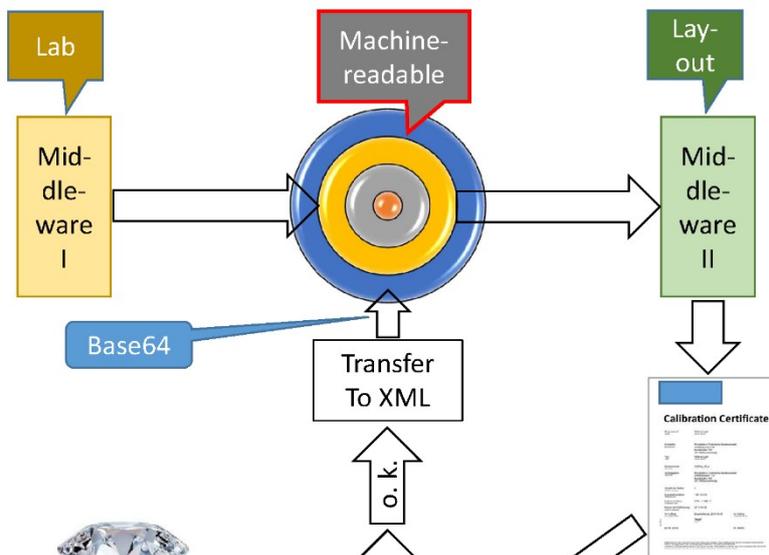
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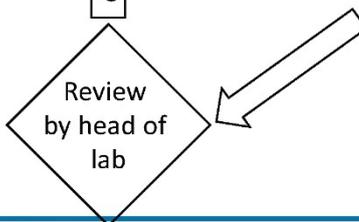
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### Ready DCC



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## The GEMIMEG tool

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### Abstract

At the last DCC conference, a DCC of a silicon sphere was used to demonstrate how the GEMIMEG tool works.

This presentation will show how the GEMIMEG tool works in the field of temperature calibration based on the GP-DCC. Exemplarily, the following steps for creating a DCC with the tool will be demonstrated:

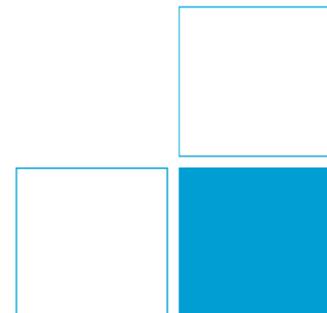
1. Reading in a template,
2. Input of the calibration data via a web GUI as well as
3. the output of a DCC including the human-readable part.

The advantages of outputting in HTML5 format are explained. Furthermore, the generation of a pdf file and the integration into the fourth ring of the DCC is demonstrated.

## The GEMIMEG-Tool

Demonstrator for a graphical user interface for DCCs

Jan Loewe, Working Group 1.24



## Scope



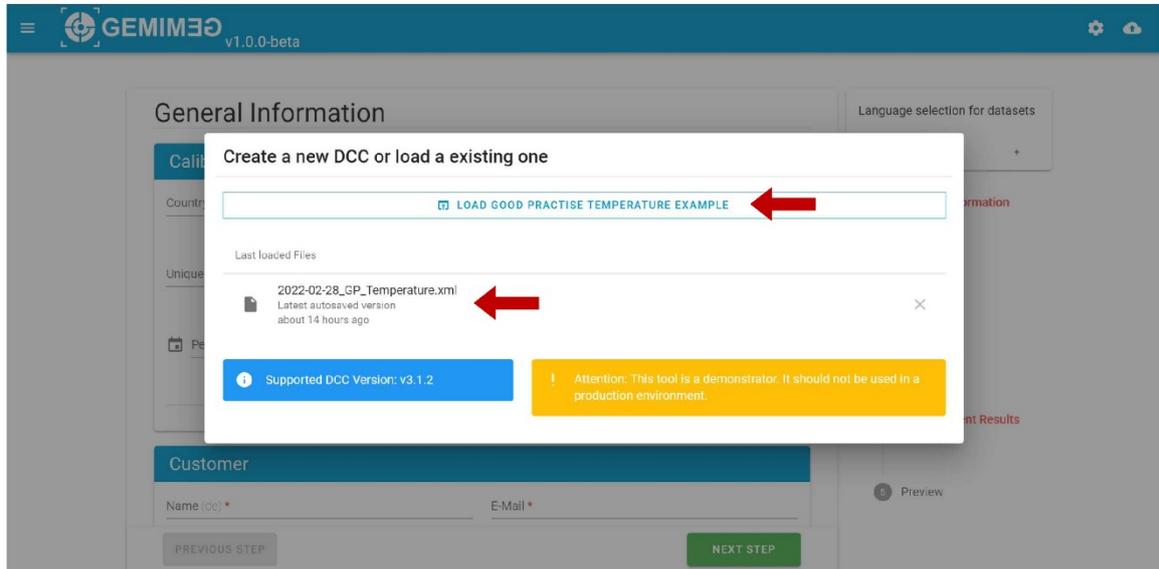
- Demonstrator for a graphical user interface
- Works with the Good Practice Example for the Temperature
- Support localization of the tool

## Features



- Web Application
  - Static HTML, no real backend needed
  - Everything is done on the Client-Side using JavaScript
  - Written in modern JavaScript / TypeScript
  - Vue.js is used as a framework
- Supports latest DCC Schema (v3.1.2)
- Edited DCCs are never sent to a Server (Stored in your Browser)
- Every part of the Temperature Example can be edited
- Generate a preview using XSL

# Layout of the Tool

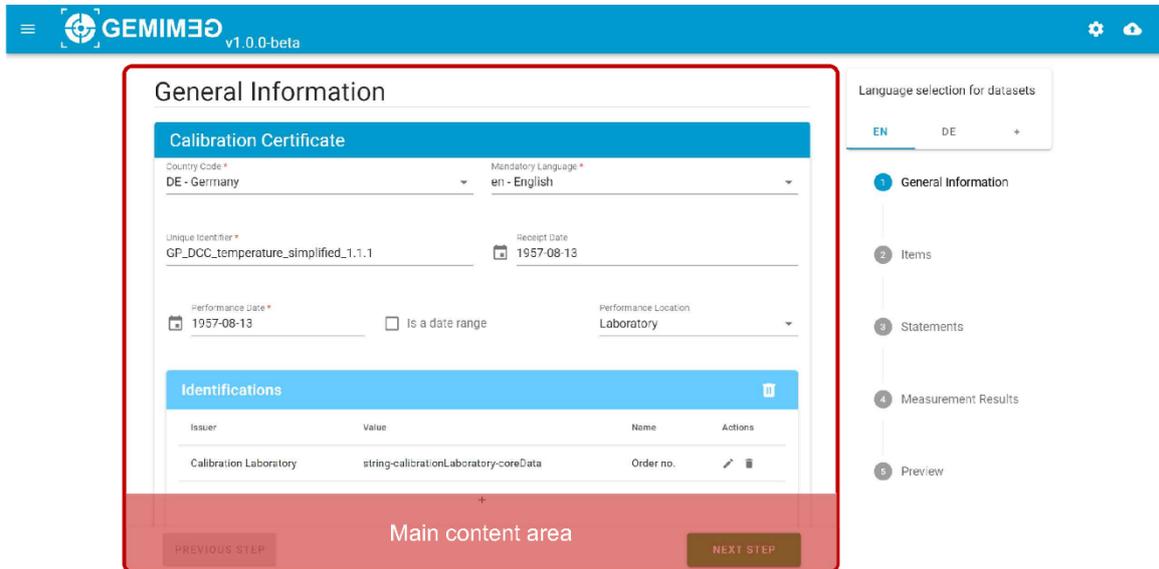


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# Layout of the Tool



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## DCCs with multiple languages



Measurement Result 1

Name (de) \*  
Messergebnisse

Used Methods

RefType	Name	Description	Actions
basic_uncertainty	Erweiterte Messunsicherheit	Angegeben ist die erweiterte Messun...	
gp_temperatureSensor	Kalibrierung von Temperatursensoren	-	

Measuring Equipments

RefType	Name	Description	Actions
basic_normal/Used	Pt 100 Widerstandsthermometer	-	

Language selection for datasets  
EN DE

- General Information
- Items
- Statements
- Measurement Results
- Preview

PREVIOUS STEP NEXT STEP

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## Try it yourself!



Source Code of the Tool:  
<https://gitlab.com/ptb/dcc/gemimeg-tool>

Try it yourself here:  
<https://ptb.gitlab.io/dcc/gemimeg-tool>

## Future of the tool



- Flexible and expandable core
  - Loading and storing DCCs using APIs / the filesystem
  - Further validation of DCCs (e. g. using TraCIM)
  - Generate previews using other technologies (e. g. LaTeX)

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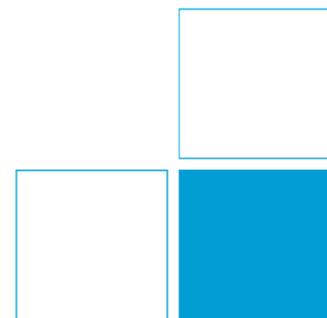
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## Thank you for your attention!

Do you have any questions or comments?

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## Introducing PyDCC – a Python module for the DCC

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### Abstract

For the programming language Python there are numerous support libraries for almost every data structure and interface. This variety of libraries enables creating new applications rapidly. Why not having a library for the handling DCCs? This is exactly what PyDCC is intended for. Within the project GEMIMEG-II the software component PyDCC has been developed together with the participating project partners. The advantage of the software is an accelerated development of new applications around the DCC. This talk introduces PyDCC and its usage. PyDCC was licensed under the open-source license MIT.

# PyDCC

Introducing PyDCC – a Python Module for the DCC

Andreas Tobola

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# PyDCC\*

Software module for enabling faster handling of  
Digital Calibration Certificates on Edge and Cloud

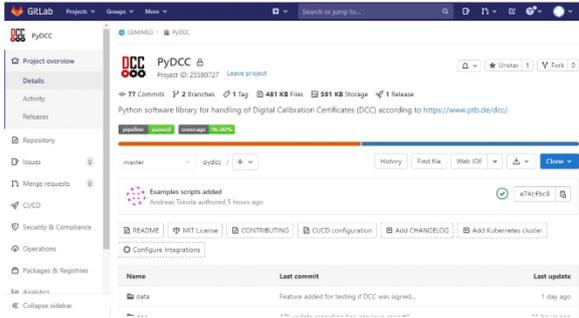
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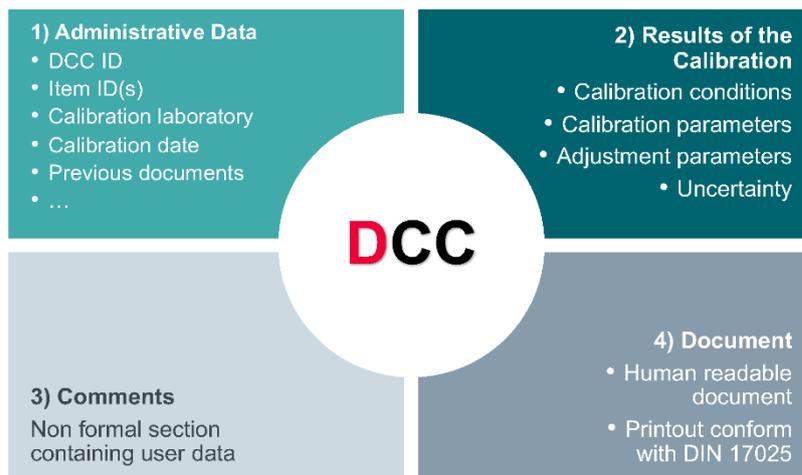
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## PyDCC Administrative information

1. Has been developed within the research project GEMIMEG-II
2. Joint development with project members of GEMIMEG-II
3. Software license: MIT
4. Official release planned to the end of GEMIMEG-II



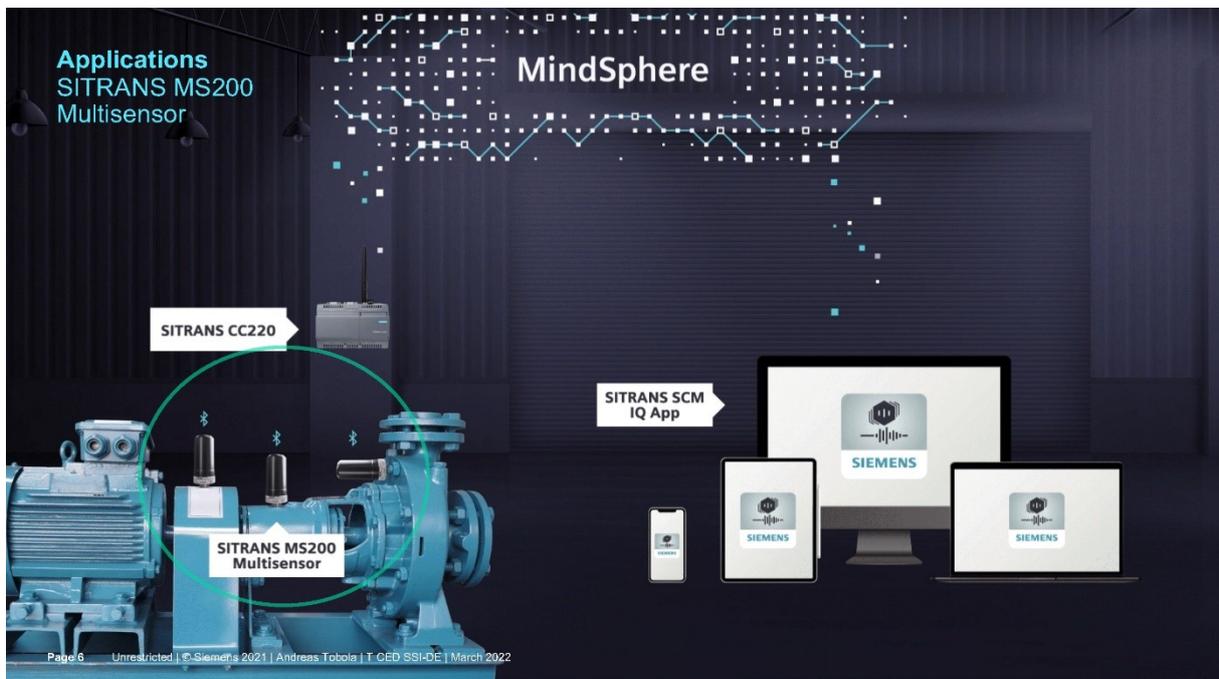
## Digital Calibration Certificate (DCC) Content of the DCC



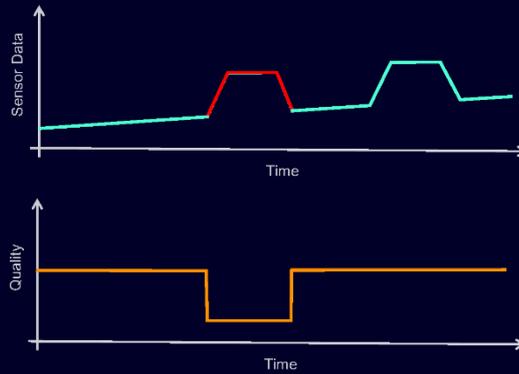
**PyDCC**  
The Motivation for this Software Module



1. Enable faster development of applications for processing of DCCs on Edge and Cloud
2. Key driver: Reusable software
3. Verify the DCC
  - XML schema (DCC schema, D-SI schema)
  - Signature
4. Read contents from
  - Administrative data section (DCC IDs, Version, Date, Sensor ID, ...)
  - Measurement results section (Precision, Accuracy, ...)
5. Provide common data preprocessing features
  - Days since last calibration
  - Measurement results processing



### Applications Introducing Quality of Sensing / Quality of Data



### Applications Calibration Example



Generate a Digital Calibration Certificate with signature and sensor UID

Upload to DCC repository

### Application Example Usage of PyDCC



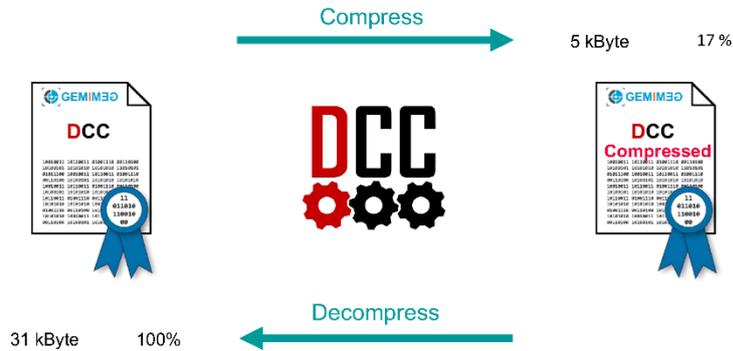
### DCC Use Cases DCC Repository and Embedded DCC



**Variant 1:** Calibrated Sensor System  
with a Link to a DCC Repository

**Variant 2:** Calibrated Sensor  
System with an Embedded DCC

### DCC Use Cases Compressed DCC



### PyDCC Software Management

#### Implemented

- Read DCC from file
- DCC version
- Get DCC from Repository
- Read DCC from stream
- Calibration date
- Get Previous DCC
- Read DCC compressed
- Days since last calibration
- Calibration Lab
- Compress DCC
- Read basic uncertainty list

#### Ongoing

- Verify DCC schema
- Read variants of measurement results
- Verify signature
- Item IDs

Feature Implementation

- Unit tests
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Lic. Clearing
- Continuous Test
- Developer Team Building
- Open Source License
- Contributing Guide
- Test Coverage Measurement
- External Repository
- Py Module Packaging
- API Documented

Housekeeping

## PyDCC Code Example

```

from dcc import DCC
xml_file_name = '../data/siliziumkugel.xml' # Example from PTB
dcc = DCC(xml_file_name) # Load DCC and crate DCC object
if dcc.verify_dcc_xml():
    print("XML schema is valid.")
else:
    print("XML schema is invalid.")
uid = dcc.uid()
print('DCC UID: %s' % uid)
calib_date = dcc.calibration_date()
print('Calibration date: %s' % calib_date.strftime("%d. %B %Y") )
days_since_calibration = dcc.days_since_calibration()
print('%d days since calibration' % days_since_calibration)

if (days_since_calibration > 365):
    print('=> Recalibration required according to QMS.')

if dcc.is_signed():
    print('Signature available.')
    if dcc.is_signature_valid():
        print('Signature is valid.')
    else:
        print('Signature could not be verified.')
else:
    print('DCC is not signed.')

embdcc = dcc.generate_compressed_dcc()
    
```

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## Output

```

XML schema is valid.
Calibration date: 12. October 2018
917 days since calibration
DCC UID: PTB - 11129 18
=> Recalibration required according to QMS.
DCC is not signed.
    
```

```

Uncertainty (95 %)
Masse +/-0.00000005 m³
Volume +/-0.000018 g
    
```

```

Embedded DCC generation for constraint
devices
DCC size 30926 bytes
Compressed DCC size 5324 bytes
Embedded DCC compression ratio 17.2%
    
```



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### Abstract

In the Vacuum Metrology Group, about 170 customer calibrations are performed annually. Most of the calibration processes are automated. This includes the generation of digital calibration certificates (DCCs) using the Python library Jinja as a template system for XML as well as the preparation of customer correspondence and calibration certificates based on LaTeX. By now, 155 DCCs have been issued and provided to our customers for testing purposes in addition to the official printed calibration certificates. Two DCCs have been received from another laboratory and have been used for the correction of measurement values.

The cornerstone of the calibration workflow is the NoSQL-database CouchDB. It is used to make data available on every computer in the lab. Furthermore, it provides redundancy and backup. The schema free structure of the data sets can be adapted without migrating the database facilitating continuous development. Communication with the database is carried out via the HTTP protocol. Where possible, functionality is implemented as web services that can be accessed via RESTful interfaces using the HTTP protocol. In this way a loose coupling is realized such that individual services can be modified without the need to amend the other functions. User interfaces are implemented using HTML and JavaScript running on every browser.

To foster the benefits of a digital calibration workflow, interconnection with external services is desirable. We implemented a RESTful application interface in cooperation with the “Embedded Systems” working group at PTB, that loosely couples our calibration workflow with their metrological service platform (AnGeWaNt) [1], which will provide a user portal for calibrations among many other services.

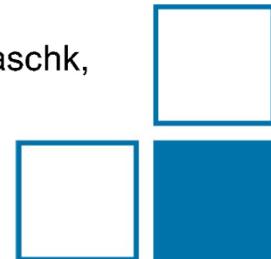
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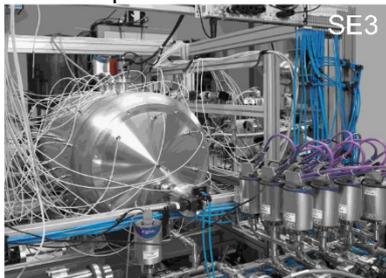
### Calibration Services



Pressures below  $10^5$  Pa: calibration of membrane,  
 spinning rotor and ionization vacuum gauges

Gas flows below  $10^{-5}$  Pa m<sup>3</sup>/s:  
 calibration of reference leaks

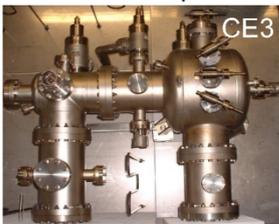
Static Expansion



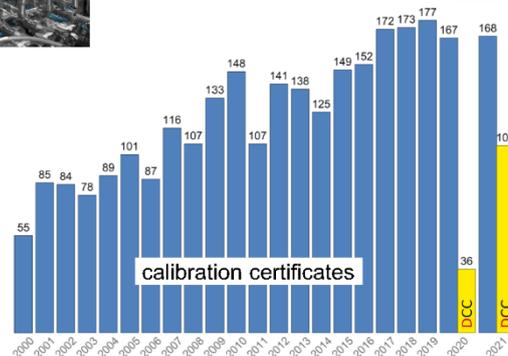
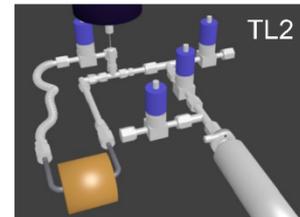
Test leak against vacuum



Continuous Expansion



Test leak against atmosphere



# IT Infrastructure



- Schema-free (NoSQL), JSON
  - document based: self-contained data sets



- Template system for creating LaTeX, XML, HTML: text file is generated from text blocks with placeholders for the variables



- User interfaces based on HTML and JavaScript



- Webservices via HTTP protocol
  - Statelessness (RESTful API)



- Communication with measuring devices via Clojure server

- Generation of documents via Node.js server

# Server-Client Interaction



→ HTTP, RESTful API

→ user event / input

□ client

Webservices based on

○ Python / Flask

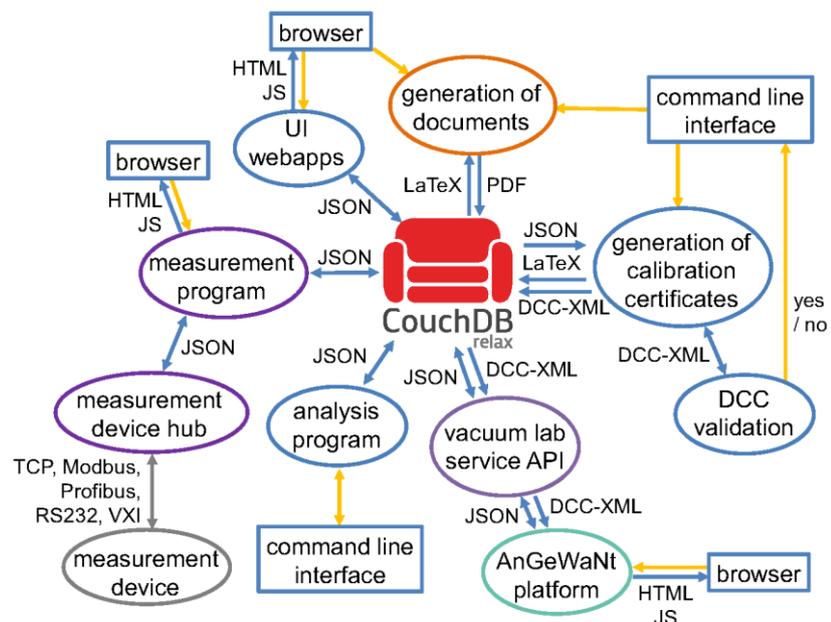
○ Clojure

○ Node.js

○ Java / Spring / Jetty

RESTful API

- Loose coupling
- Webservices can be developed independent of each other
- Beneficial when interacting with external services



# User Interface



VacLab: Verwaltung (Sofa 1.24.0 – vl\_db)

Kalibrierung | Wartungsarbeiten | Abwesenheit

Kalender

### Planungsdokument für Kalibrierungen

Dokument: === neu === Rücksetzen Speichern

**Kunde:**

**Typ:** KK

**Anfragedatum:** 2022-03-02

**Anfragezeichen:**

**Beginn:** 2022-03-23

**Dauer (Werktage):** 5

**Wiederholung (Monate):**

**Bearbeiter:**

**Kommentar:**

**Erinnerung:**  20 Tage nach der Planung  
 3 Monate vor der Kalibrierung

**Hinweise:**

- Bitte darauf achten, dass die Daten des Kunden denen der Datenbank entsprechen (ggf. hier aktualisieren).
- Eintrag »Kal.-Bed.« in der Geräteliste bitte bei Bedarf sorgfältig in deutscher oder englischer Sprache ausfüllen. Er erscheint so im Anschreiben!

**Geräteliste** + Erklärungen: Hilfe-Knopf

1. Gerät: CDG **Anzahl:** 1 **Ziel:** STD to: 0.13Pa from: 1300Pa( error, SE3) 🔗

**Messbeauftragter:**

**Gas(e):** N2 + N2 🗑️

**Kal.-Bed.:**  Weitere Optionen

Chaiselongue • Divan • Kanapee • Ottomane • AZ 2022 • AZ 2023 • Fehler / Anregungen • DB
Hilfe

Planung

Vorgang

Sonstiges

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# JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)



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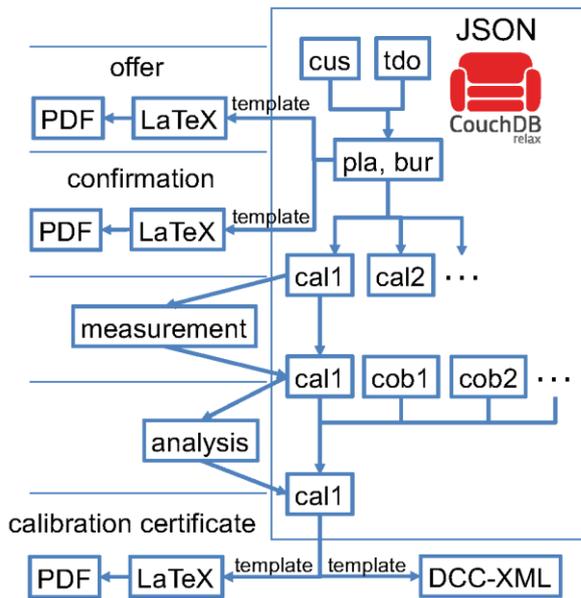
graph TD
    Calibration --> Measurement
    Calibration --> Analysis
    Calibration --> Result
    Measurement --> Values
    Values --> Date
    Values --> Temperature
    Values --> Pressure
        
```

```

1- {
2  "id": "cal-2022-se3-kk-75407_0001",
3  "rev": "997-459349732a03aed934d7cda14392f0a",
4  "Calibration": {
5    "Constant": {},
6    "Analysis": {},
7    "CalibrationObject": {},
8    "Customer": {},
9    "Certificate": "75467",
10   "ToBe": {},
11   "Presettings": {},
12   "Measurement": {
13     "Maintainer": "Thomas Bock",
14     "Date": {},
15     "AuxValues": {},
16     "Values": {
17       "Range": {},
18       "Pressure": [
19         {
20           "Type": "target_pressure",
21           "Value": [
22             0.1,
23             0.1,
24             0.2,
25             0.2,
26             0.4,
27             0.6,
28             0.8
                ]
            }
        ]
    }
    }
    }
    }
        
```

- Hierarchical key-value data structure
- Easy to extend
- Directly interpretable as JavaScript
- Easy to use in many programming languages
- Human readable (pure text format)
- CouchDB documents are JSON documents

# Workflow



cus: customer

- list of customers: address, ...

tdo: to do

- list of calibration targets: pressures, gas type, ...

pla: planning, bur: bureaucracy

- date, customer data, calibration target

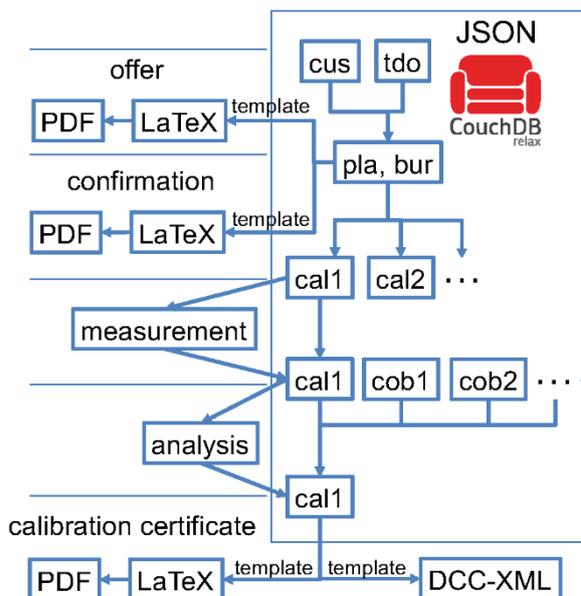
cal: calibration

- calibration document: customer data, measurement data, result of the analysis, calibration data of measuring devices

cob: calibration object

- calibration data of measuring devices and constants: voltmeters, temperature sensors, earth acceleration, pressure gauges, ...

# Workflow



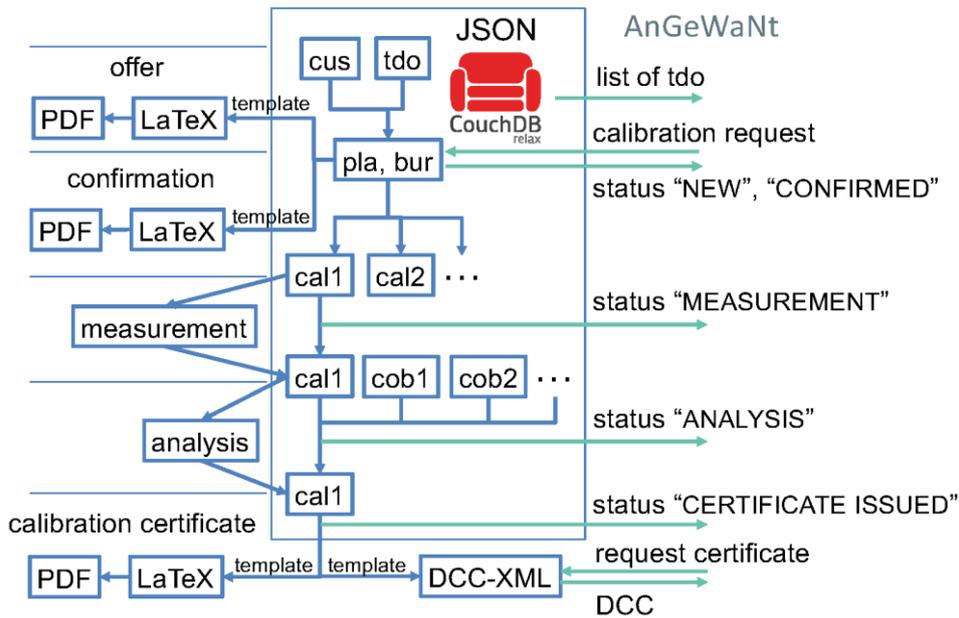
We have received 2 DCCs up to now.



Digital multimeter calibrated at CleverLab:

- 8 channels, -10 V to 10 V
- 500 entries in result table
- DCC-XML converted into JSON and uploaded to CouchDB as "calibration object" (cob) document

# Vacuum Lab Service API



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## Modern data exchange platforms and the DCC

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### Abstract

The presentation summarizes the connection between DCC and digital megatrends and presents a vision for the integration of DCC as part of the future industrial system architecture. In addition, the presentation includes a demonstration of a proof-of-concept with automatic DCC creation, transfer of the DCC to another system, with data extraction and human-readable output.

Modern technologies for data exchange show how to significantly reduce or eliminate the traditional barriers that have made data exchange almost impossible for many organizations. The proposed Data Exchange Platform approach enables an automated and scalable transfer method for the DCCs. An example of a business case for the Data Exchange Platform is the exchange of calibration data between an industrial company and many external calibration service providers at the same time.

The presentation includes a demonstration that illustrates the use of DCC as an exchange medium in an industrial system environment. In the demonstration, a calibration is first assigned and performed in a calibration management system. After receiving the calibration results from the calibrator, a DCC is created in the calibration management system. The DCC is transferred and imported into another, separate calibration management system, where the data is stored and used to calculate the measurement uncertainty and produce a human-readable output.



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## PROBLEM

Calibration Service Provider



Customer



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# BIGGER PROBLEM

Calibration Service Providers

100-200 thousand per year



# THE TRAVELLERS PROBLEM

Problem

Solution ??



## DEMONSTRATION

### Roles

- Service Provider
  - Executes a calibration with equipment
  - Generates DCC with their software
  - Sends DCC to customer
  - Uses LOGiCAL (SaaS)
- Customer
  - Receives a DCC
  - Imports DCC into their own Calibration Management Software
  - Views / analyses data
  - Uses CMX (on promise desktop software)

*Note: for demo purposes this demo has been done with Beamex technology, however, interoperability should be technology / vendor agnostic.*

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Video link to the DCC demo:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4Ch\\_Z4flzg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4Ch_Z4flzg)

or ask the DCC team at Beamex if the above link does not work.

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## TARGET

Calibration Service Providers



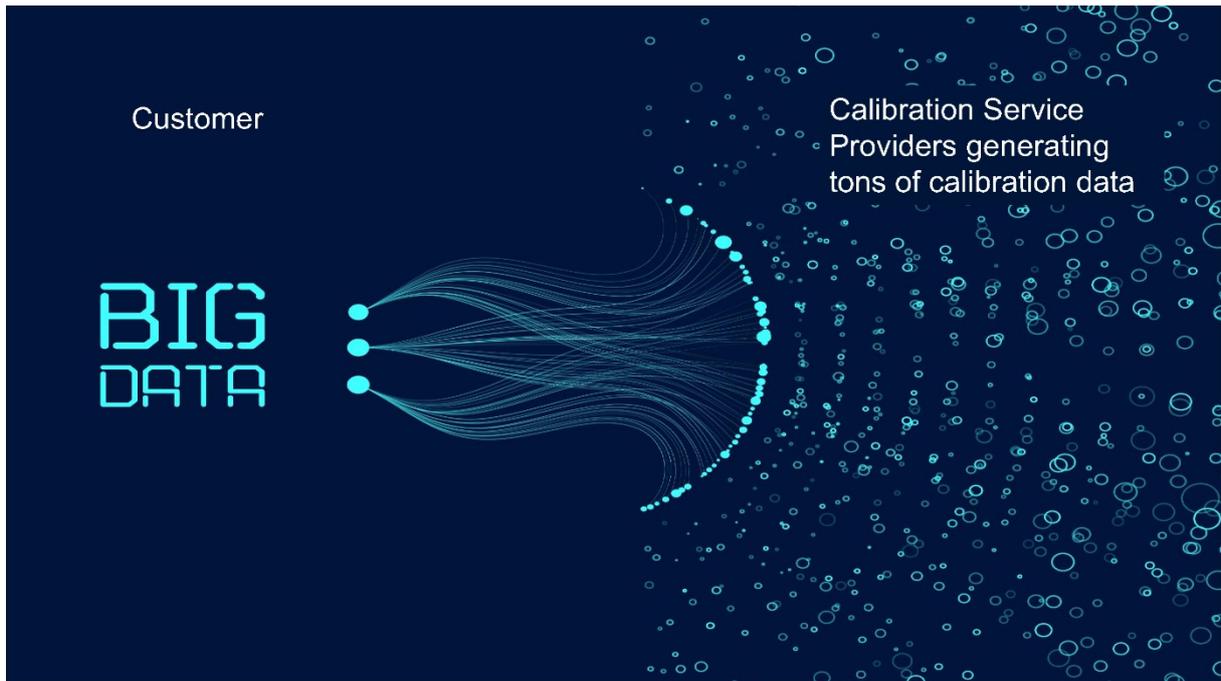
Customer



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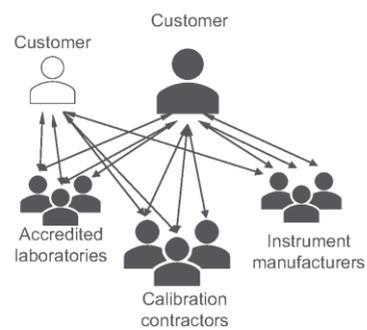
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## INFORMATION FLOW IN CALIBRATION INDUSTRY

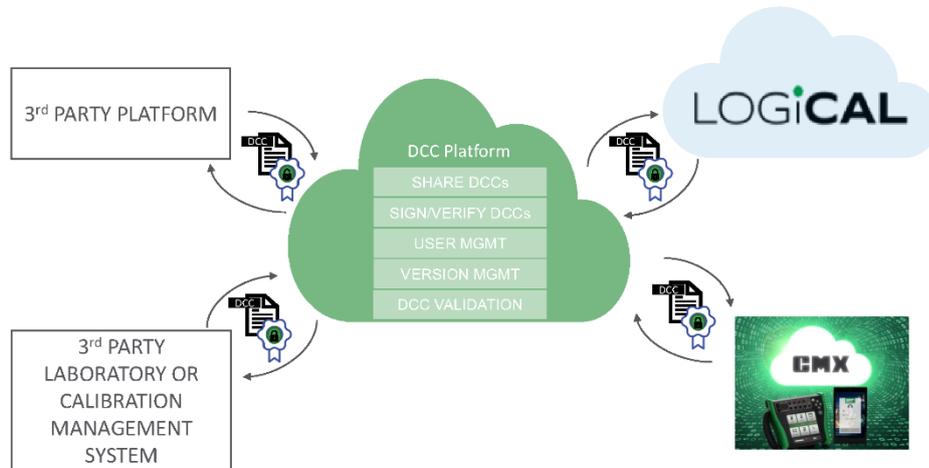
1-ON-1 RELATIONSHIPS ARE DIFFICULT TO DIGITALISE EFFICIENTLY

- Calibration industry is based on bilateral relationships where calibration data is shared
- Each organisation sends and receives calibration certificates from several partners
- Digitalisation only possible as point-to-point integrations with each partner





# DCC DATA EXCHANGE PLATFORM



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Q&A

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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## Session “DCC and Sensors”

### Digital calibration system – Revolutionary sensor with digital calibrator mode

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#### Abstract

The presentation shows new digital technologies for industrial sensors revolution that enable digital automatic calibration of instrument channels (IC) and issuance of the digital calibration certificate (DCC).

Developed digital technologies realize new innovative digital calibrator mode for industrial sensors. This mode provides the IC digital calibration with automatic calculation of measurement errors. After calibration the industrial hardware and software complex forms the DCC with calculation results of measurement errors.

This automatically generated DCC is called «instrument channel DCC» (IC DCC).

The presentation includes technical concept of IC DCC forming and shows the realization results of digital calibrator mode in pressure sensors. This mode is realized at first time in sensor’s technologies (patent № 2749304, international patent № WO2021246916). The presentation shows the arrived technical advantages and possibilities of IC DCC.

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# DIGITAL CALIBRATION SYSTEM

REVOLUTIONARY SENSOR WITH DIGITAL CALIBRATOR MODE

Pavel Proskurin, CBO ASPEKT Company



In the 1990s, these calibration methods were justified due to the relatively small number of instrument channels. According to various estimates, currently, it takes from 42,000 to 50,000 man-hours to perform just a single complete calibration of sensors and software-hardware systems of 15,000 measuring channels. Since calibration is regular in nature, the problem of reducing the shutdown maintenance duration is the challenge of the modern period in industry development.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 15000 & \times & 3 & / & (10 & \times & 8) & = & 562 \\ \text{measuring} & & \text{hour} & & \text{people} & & \text{hour} & & \\ \text{channels} & & \text{average} & & & & \text{per} & & \\ & & \text{needed for} & & & & \text{day} & & \\ & & \text{calibration} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \text{work days} \end{array}$$

AUTOMATION AND OPTIMISATION OF INSTRUMENT CHANNELS CALIBRATION IS CRUCIAL, it is a radically new approach in development of measuring technologies

Aspect is a team of young scientists involved in research activities in the field of digital measuring systems and metrology for various industries in following areas:

- creation of intelligent measuring instruments with metrologic self-control (SMART technologies);
- development of digital technologies for the development of HART communicators;
- creation of innovative technologies for automation and digitalisation of metrologic services.

Many years of experience and knowledge of our specialists are secured by numerous invention patents.

Our team is constantly working with leading specialists from Tomsk universities, collaborating in experimental and dissertational research.

- 2019–2022** Development of advanced technologies for digital calibration of industrial instrument channels. First-ever in instrumentation, the digital calibrator mode as a new operating mode of sensors has been developed and implemented (patent № 2749304, international patent PCT № WO2021246916)
- 2018–2020** Development of the digital model for correction of readings of measurements flow performed using differential pressure sensors. Approbation at the research reactor facility allowed to decrease the reduced measurement errors from 5.3% to 0.9%.
- 2016–2021** Development of intelligent multi-parameter liquid sensors with metrological self-check function.
- 2013–2015** Development and implementation of the digital model for correction of readings of industrial hydrostatic level meters. Industrial implementation of the digital model reduced dynamic errors from 20% to 3%. The results are presented in the "Handbook for setting up industrial hydrostatic level meters" for ECI engineers.
- 2011–2020** Analysis of commissioning and operation of energetical and petrochemical industry facilities, statistics gathering and deep investigation of defects in instrument channels

### Introducing a new patented way of working

Features of the new method:

An innovative digital calibrator mode is implemented within the sensor in addition to the measurement mode.

The following conditions are provided:

- 1) Wide range of digital calibration settings,
- 2) Starting the digital calibrator mode,
- 3) Digital calibration of the instrument channel:
  - 3.1) generation of calibration and warning signals from the sensor
  - 3.2) automatic calculation of errors in software-hardware complex and in entire instrument channel as a whole.

Detailed description is in patents № 2749304, international patent № WO2021246916



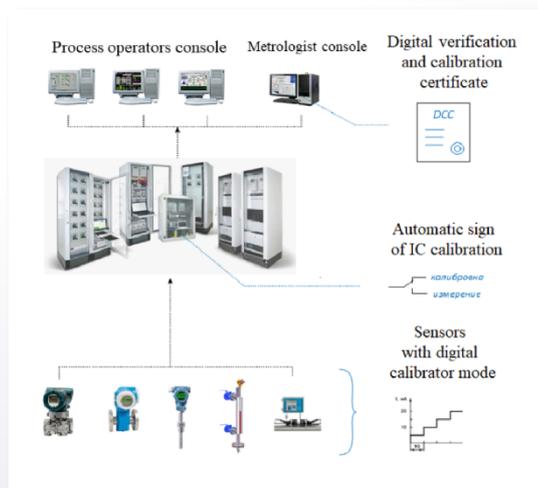


Based on digital calibration results, the following is shown in the metrologist console:

- 1) Automatic calculation of errors in hardware-software complex
- 2) Automatic calculation of errors in entire measurement channel
- 3) Correction of readings in measurement channel when required
- 4) Issuance of the digital calibration certificate

Digital calibration certificate of an instrument channel (IC DCC)

Requirements of design and content for an IC DCC are in clarification



Increasing industrial safety by eliminating the risks of false alarms in automatic protection during instrument channel calibration

Ability to digitally calibrate the IC and its components at the same time, which greatly reduces labor costs

An instrument channel digital calibration certificate (IC DCC) is generated

IC DCC requirements are in clarification

Automation and optimization of metrological service

FEATURES OF IC CALIBRATION PROCEDURE	IC CALIBRATION WITH ELECTRICAL SIGNAL CALIBRATORS	DIGITAL IC CALIBRATION
Reduction of scheduled IC maintenance duration	NO	YES
Exclusion of metrological verification of sensors	NO	NO
No cables disconnection required	NO	YES
Protection against automation errors during calibration	NO	YES
Automatic errors calculation	NO	YES
Automatic readings correction	NO	YES
Automatic IC DCC generation	NO	YES

1. improving safety operation of facilities by reducing the risks of automatic protection false triggering, blocking and signaling accordingly to the modern level of instrumentation development,
2. verification and calibration of measuring instruments and systems without dismantling of equipment in fully automatic or pre-automated mode in real operating conditions,
3. ensuring the possibility of verifying IC and its components at any time in continuous technological processes,
4. avoiding errors in verification results and increasing accuracy of IC components verification due to DSV application and eliminating the need for numerous connections of verification equipment (voltmeters, ammeters, calibrators, simulators and other working standards of electrical signals), which is not part of IC,
5. providing the possibility of correcting total errors in IC or its components, which are determined in real operating conditions. In particular, the possibility of error correcting, individual calibration and adjustment of the DAC and ADC of sensors, hardware–software complex and measuring instruments is provided,
6. providing the possibility of remote automatic verification of measuring instruments and systems,
7. increasing the efficiency and simplification of metrological maintenance of IC measuring systems with hard-to-reach measuring components,
8. reducing the influence of harmful production factors over operating personnel during periodic metrological maintenance,
9. reducing operational labor costs for periodic metrological maintenance

10. ensuring possibility of verifying the IC and it's measuring components simultaneously by combining and using main advantages of component specific and complete IC verification at the same time:

- replacing the measuring component in the IC with a pre-verified component of the same type does not require an additional verification of the entire IC during operation (the advantage of component specific verification methods),
- verification and calibration of the entire IC measuring system does not require dismantling and/or disconnection of measuring components (advantage of complete verification methods),
- in fact, a practical method of estimating errors in the IC is implemented without using theoretical assumptions and known faulty calculation methods for estimating errors in entire IC for its individual components (the advantage of complete verification methods),
- implementing the metrological characteristics of the IC in real operating conditions (the advantage of complete verification methods),

11. achieving performance gains of enterprises via technical development and optimisation of metrological services, in particular, automatic digital verification:

- contribute to an increase of overhaul intervals in enterprises via possibility of verification in a continuous technological process,
- reduce the duration of scheduled maintenance of automated process control systems (APCS) by optimising metrological maintenance procedures.

- Remote verification
- Wide range of correction possibilities (error compensation)
- Simplification of metrological service for hard-to-reach control and measurement instruments
- Reduced labor costs for metrological services
- Minimising the impact of harmful factors over personnel
- Increasing service life of measuring instruments and channels for entire measuring system

Ready for cooperation

Pavel Proskurin

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## GEMIMEG-II – Status and progress report

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### Abstract

To ensure that the high-quality level "Made in Germany" also applies in a digitalised world, the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB), together with other research partners and companies, has launched the GEMIMEG-II project, which is funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi) with 12 million euros. Under the title "Safe and robust calibrated measurement systems for the digital transformation", the 13 partners involved want to develop reliable standards to ensure reliable communication of digital data, information, and certificates in the processes of the quality infrastructure. The project will run for three years. The overarching goal is to advance the digital transformation and strengthen Germany as a business location.



A lighthouse project of the German Ministry of economic affairs and climate action

### GEMIMEG-II – Status and Progress Report

Dr. Thomas Engel, Siemens AG, project coordinator

2<sup>nd</sup> international DCC Conference, March 2nd, 2022

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Our world gets digitized everywhere. Why not the calibration ecosystem too? – seamlessly from NMI to local applications

### The Project in a Nutshell

<https://dcc-conference-2020.ptb.de/videos/public/ckg7s796d0466mlh0xzah820v>



Project start:	01.08.2020
Funding budget:	11,2 M€
Total project budget:	17,9 M€
Project duration:	36 months
Project end:	31.07.2023
Project partners:	13
Industry:	8
NMI:	PTB
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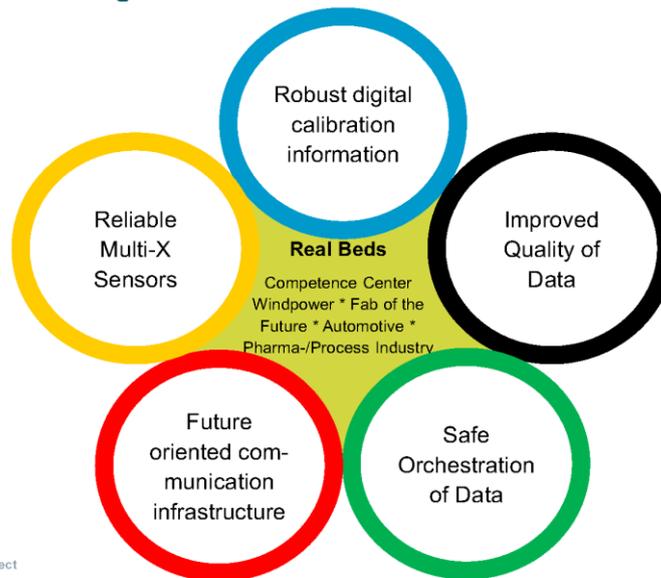
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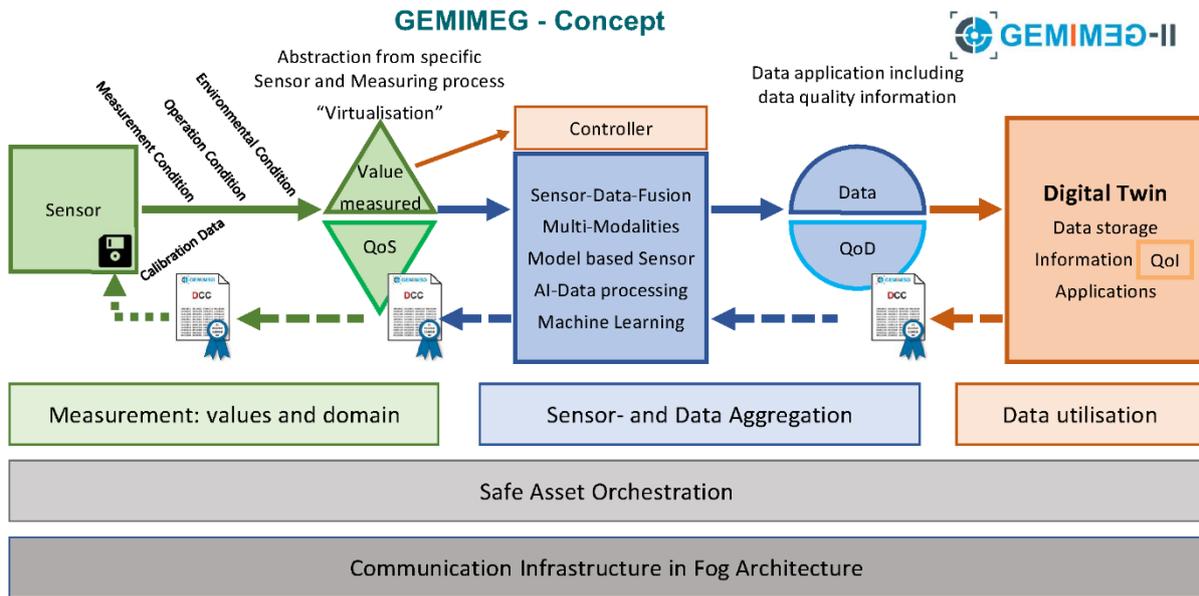
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### Our Research Agenda

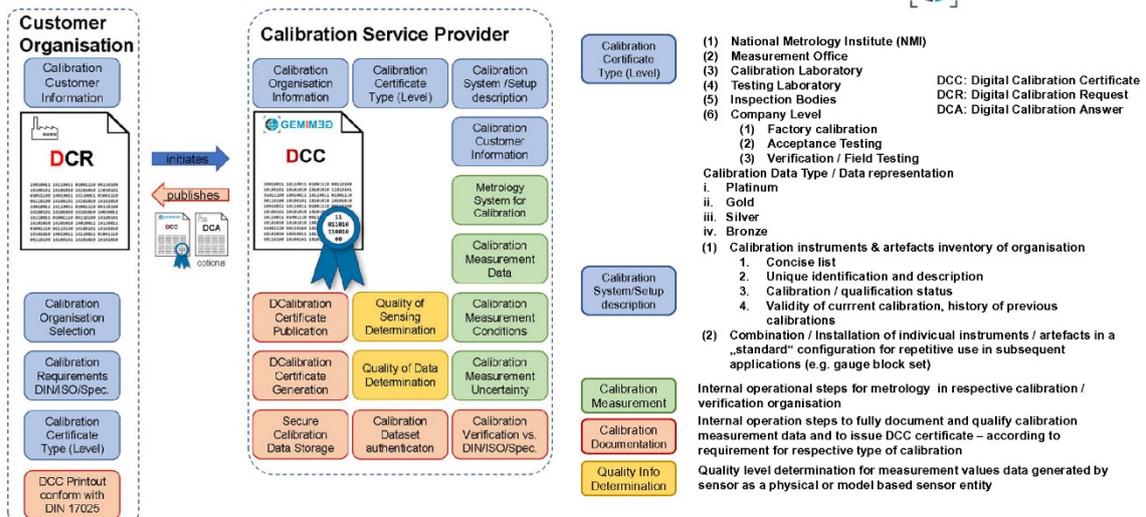


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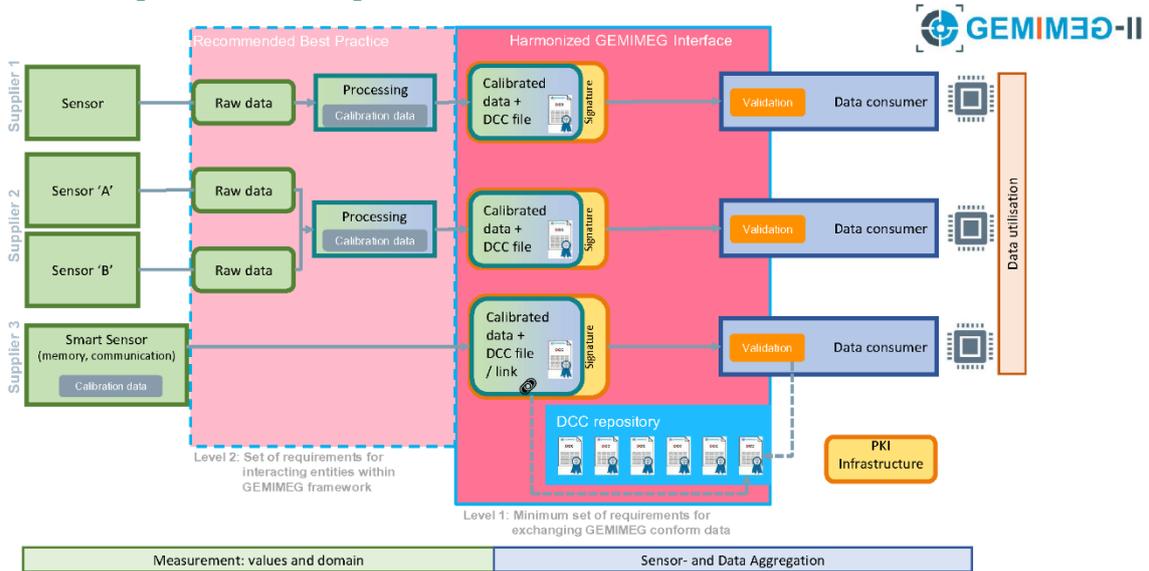
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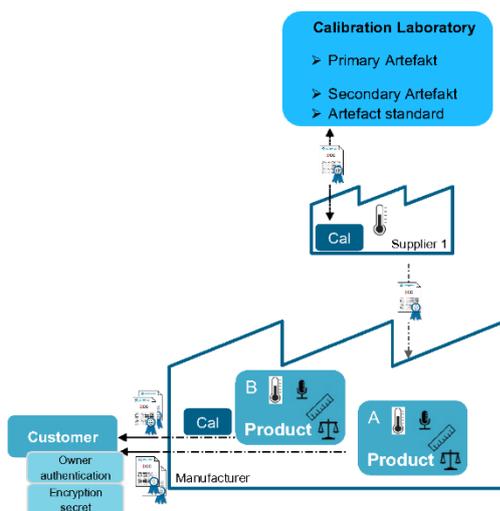
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### Data Augmented with Digital Calibration Certificate



### Calibration Information Chain from CalLab to Customer

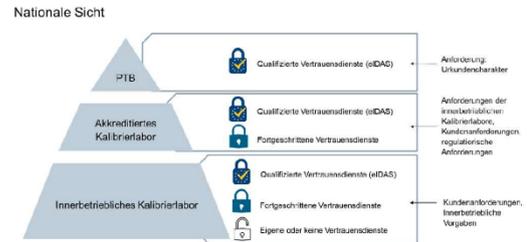


- Supplier n** generates DCC and delivers to Manufacturer e.g.:
- DCC stored on system/sensor or storage device incl. encryption secret
  - Link to DCC repository for download by customer incl. token
    - Digital information
    - QR-Code
  - Owner authentication by DCC + encryption secret + challenge
- Manufacturer** archives DCCs from suppliers 1 .. n.
- Final product A not calibrated: Manufacturer forwards supplier DCC to customer, i.e. token, encryption secret, challenge
- Final product B to be calibrated:
- Manufacturer generates DCC for product and delivers to Customer e.g.:
- DCC stored on system/sensor or storage device incl. encryption secret
  - Link to DCC repository for download by customer incl. token
    - Digital information
    - QR-Code
  - Owner authentication by DCC + encryption secret + challenge

### Trust service concept: "The DCC & PKI"

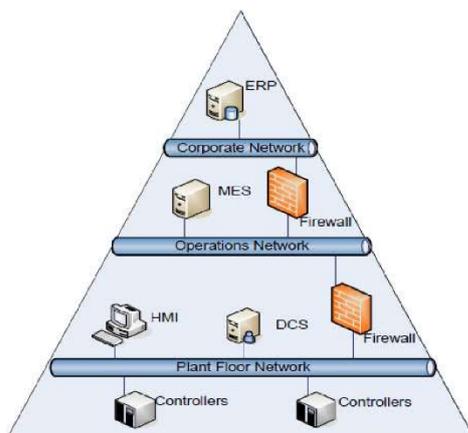


- discussion and definition of trust model
- signature format: enveloped xml signatures (XMLDSig) or XAdES
- parallel signatures: two or more independent signatures
  - meet requirements on trust services beyond the EU
- counter signatures: two or more consecutive dependent signatures
  - usage of digital seals in addition to digital signatures



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no" ?>
<doc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  <!--
  <doc:administrativeData>
  <doc:measurementResults>
  <ds:Signature xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#" Id="id-6d828f82c1492d9fbf98d2eee82691fe">
  <ds:Signature xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#" Id="id-946fbd73e712cea7ecc2335cad93dca3">
  </doc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate>
```

### Architecture: Organisation of IT-Network (Good Practice)



Quelle: OPC Unified Architecture, Stefan Hoppe, 2014

**Green Zone**

Corporate Network (connecting corporate services e.g. administration, development, ERP, ...)

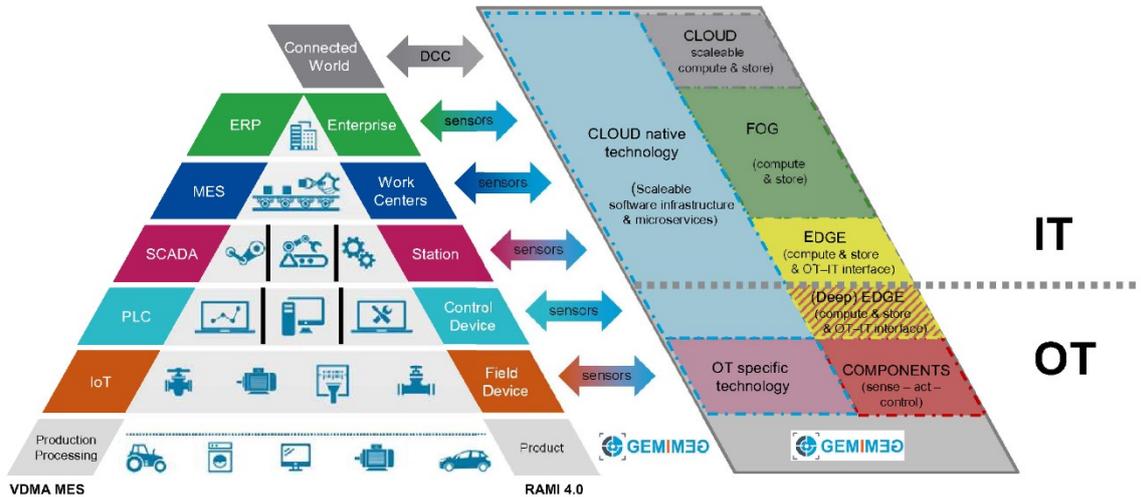
**Yellow Zone**

Operations Network (connecting operations services e.g. production planning, MES, localization, ...)

**Red Zone**

Plant Floor Network (connecting plant floor services e.g. sensors, devices, machines, distributed control, HMI, ...)

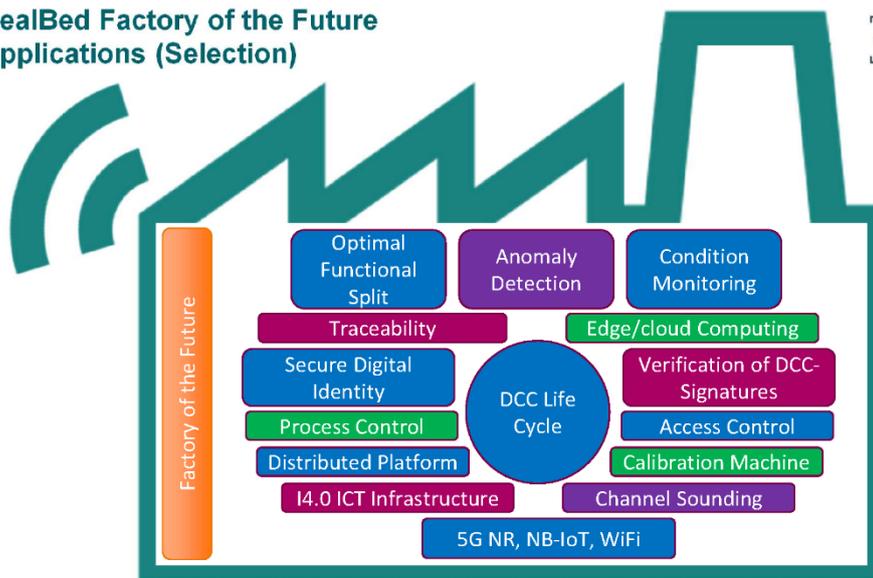
### Architectural approach: Distributed Platforms



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### RealBed Factory of the Future Applications (Selection)

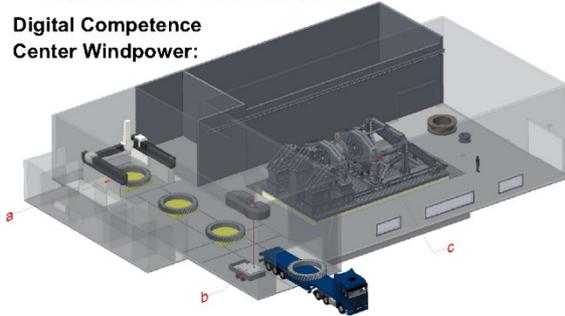


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all critical applications  
– when trustworthiness matters!**

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Application by:	<b>March 14th, 2022</b>
NDA contract send out for signature:	April 05th, 2022
return of signed NDA by new partner:	<b>May 9th, 2022</b>

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## Session “Middleware I”

### Generation of digital Calibration Certificates using Python and Excel

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#### Abstract

At the UK’s National Physical Laboratory (NPL), a significant number of measurement services involve the capture of calibration information, including both administrative and measurement data, in Microsoft Excel workbooks. Depending on the complexity of the information that is required to be presented on a calibration certificate, the process of transferring information to the certificate may largely be implemented manually, e.g., by copying and pasting information, or using software, e.g., written in Excel Visual Basic for Applications (VBA). As NPL moves towards implementation of digital calibration certificates (DCCs), consideration has begun of candidate software approaches to the generation of DCCs using information stored in Microsoft Excel workbooks.

This presentation focuses on the use of the Python programming language for this purpose, with the aim of generating DCCs that take the form of XML files that adhere to the publicly available DCC schema [1]. As a widely used, general purpose language, the advantages and disadvantages of Python are well known. One advantage that is often given is the ready availability of a huge number of supporting packages – see, e.g., the Python Package Index (PyPi) [2]. However, selecting which package to use from a number of options may not be straightforward. The presentation describes alternative approaches to DCC generation, discusses the level of knowledge of XML that the programmer requires, and considers DCC generation from the point of view of software quality management.

#### References

[1] Digital Calibration Certificate v3.0.0.

<https://www.ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/>

[2] Python Package Index (PyPI). <https://pypi.org/>



**Generation of digital calibration certificates using Python and Excel**  
**Ian Smith, Data Science department, NPL**

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## Outline



- Background
  - Survey of measurement services at NPL
  - Identification of case study
- Case study implementation
  - Input, Output, Programming language, XML expertise, DCC complexity
- Next steps
- Software and software quality considerations
- Conclusions

## Background Survey of measurement services at NPL



### Survey aims

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Assess readiness for digitalisation

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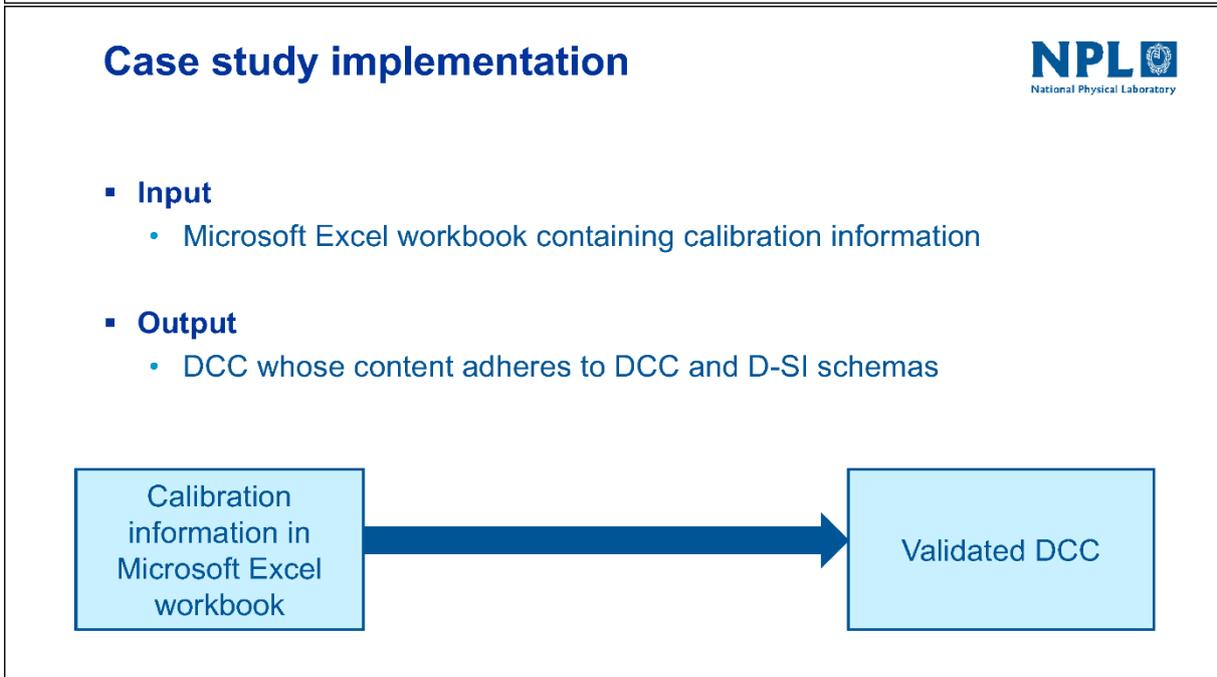
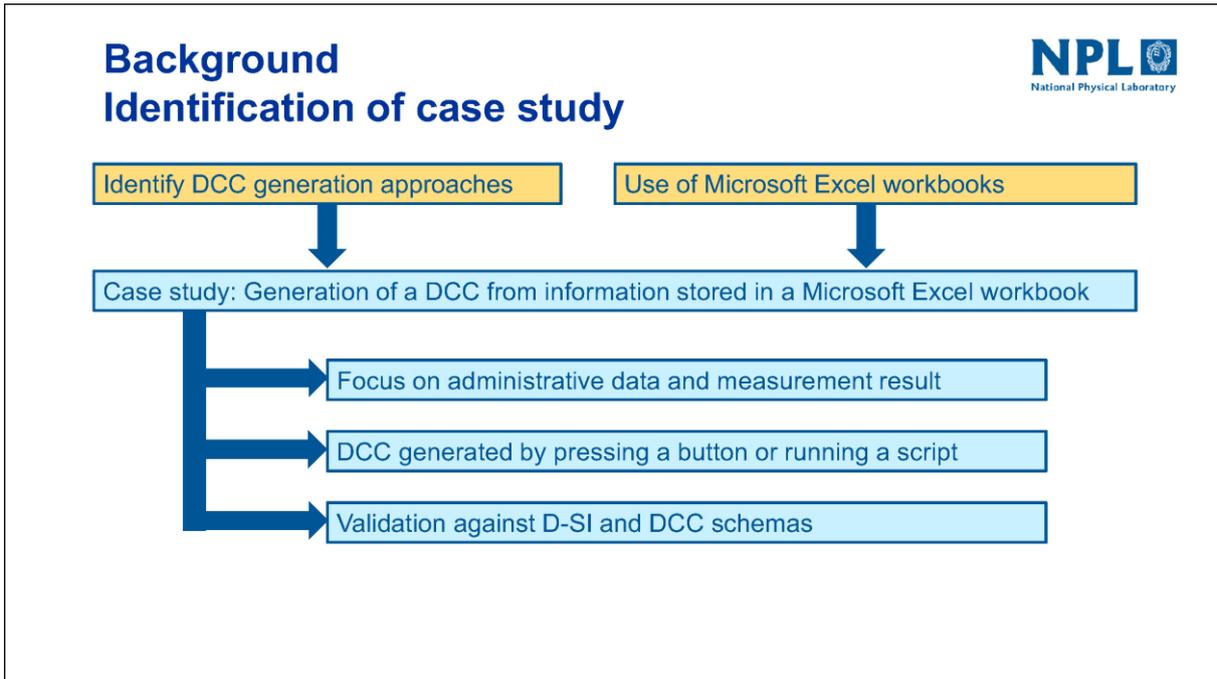


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## Case study implementation



### ▪ Programming language

- Read information from Microsoft Excel
- Parse and validate XML
- Chose to work with Python
- Identified packages `openpyxl` and `xmlschema`
- Not ruling out working with other packages or software in future



## Case study implementation



### ▪ XML expertise

- Some knowledge of XML structure required
- Not necessary to know everything



## Case study implementation



### ▪ Complexity of DCC

- Decided to start with something as simple as possible then look to increase complexity
- Mandatory elements only, no repeated element, attributes not considered
- One real measurement result with expanded uncertainty



## Case study implementation



### ▪ Approach

- Identify contents of DCC
- Generate template file from schema (using XMLSpy followed by small amount of editing)
- Load template XML file, read data from workbook, update element values, save XML file, validate XML file



## Contents of DCC

digitalCalibrationCertificate	> dcc:administrativeData	>> dcc:software	>>> dcc:software	>>>> dcc:name	>>>>> dcc:content		
				>>>>> dcc:release			
		>>>> dcc:coreData	>>>>> dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1				
			>>>>>> dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1				
			>>>>>> dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1				
			>>>>>>> dcc:uniqueIdentifier				
			>>>>>>>> dcc:beginPerformanceDate				
			>>>>>>>> dcc:endPerformanceDate				
			>>>>>>>>> dcc:performanceLocation				
		>>>>> dcc:items	>>>>>> dcc:item	>>>>>>> dcc:name	>>>>>>>> dcc:content		
				>>>>>>>>> dcc:manufacturer	>>>>>>>>> dcc:name	>>>>>>>>>> dcc:content	
				>>>>>>>>>> dcc:identifications	>>>>>>>>>> dcc:identification	>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:issuer	
							>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:value
		>>>>>> dcc:calibrationLaboratory	>>>>>>> dcc:contact	>>>>>>>>> dcc:name	>>>>>>>>>> dcc:content		
				>>>>>>>>>> dcc:email			
				>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:location	>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:streetNo		
					>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:street		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:city		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:postCode		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:state		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:countryCode		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:postOfficeBox		
		>>>>>>> dcc:respPersons	>>>>>>>> dcc:respPerson	>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:person	>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:name	>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:content	
		>>>>>>>> dcc:customer	>>>>>>>>> dcc:name	>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:content			
				>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:email			
				>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:location	>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:streetNo		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:street		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:city		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:postCode		
					>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> dcc:state		

- Interpretation of contents of simple DCC
- ~40 pieces of information

## Template file

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
3  schemaVersion="3.0.0" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc dcc.xsd">
4    <dcc:administrativeData>
5      <dcc:software>
6        <dcc:software>
7          <dcc:name>
8            <dcc:content>String/dcc:content
9          </dcc:name>
10         <dcc:release>String/dcc:release
11       </dcc:software>
12     </dcc:administrativeData>
13     <dcc:coreData>
14       <dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>AA</dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
15       <dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>aa</dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
16       <dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>aa</dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>
17       <dcc:uniqueIdentifier>String/dcc:uniqueIdentifier
18       <dcc:beginPerformanceDate>1957-08-13</dcc:beginPerformanceDate>
19       <dcc:endPerformanceDate>1957-08-13</dcc:endPerformanceDate>
20       <dcc:performanceLocation>laboratory</dcc:performanceLocation>
21     </dcc:coreData>
22     <dcc:items>
23       <dcc:item>
24         <dcc:name>
25           <dcc:content>String/dcc:content
26         </dcc:name>
27         <dcc:manufacturer>
28           <dcc:content>String/dcc:contents
29         </dcc:manufacturer>
30         <dcc:identifications>
31           <dcc:identification>
32             <dcc:issuer>calibrationLaboratory</dcc:issuer>
33             <dcc:value>String/dcc:value
34           </dcc:identification>
35         </dcc:identifications>
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39       <dcc:contact>
40         <dcc:name>
41           <dcc:content>String/dcc:content
42         </dcc:name>
43         <dcc:email>String/dcc:email
44         <dcc:location>
45           <dcc:streetNo>String/dcc:streetNo
46           <dcc:street>String/dcc:street

```

- ~100 lines of code
- Dummy values assigned

## Running Python code



### Core data in template file

```
<dcc:coreData>
  <dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>AA</dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
  <dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>aa</dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
  <dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>aa</dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>
  <dcc:uniqueIdentifier>String</dcc:uniqueIdentifier>
  <dcc:beginPerformanceDate>1957-08-13</dcc:beginPerformanceDate>
  <dcc:endPerformanceDate>1957-08-13</dcc:endPerformanceDate>
  <dcc:performanceLocation>laboratory</dcc:performanceLocation>
</dcc:coreData>
```

### Snippet of Python code

```
import openpyxl
wb = load_workbook('CalibrationInformation1.xlsx')
ws2 = wb['Core Data']
cd_countryCode = ws2['B2'].value

import xmlschema
dccSchema = xmlschema.XMLSchema('dcc.xsd')
obj = dccSchema.decode('dccTemplate_v1.xml')
d1 = obj['dcc:administrativeData']
d2 = d1['dcc:coreData']
d2['dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1'] = cd_countryCode
```

### Information in Microsoft Excel

	A	B
	Data for element dcc:coreData	
	Country code	GB
	Used language code	en
	Mandatory language code	en
	Unique identifier	Unique identifier
	Begin performance date	2020-03-01
	End performance date	2020-03-01
	Performance location	laboratory

### Core data in generated XML file

```
<dcc:coreData>
  <dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>GB</dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
  <dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>en</dcc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
  <dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>en</dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>
  <dcc:uniqueIdentifier>Unique identifier</dcc:uniqueIdentifier>
  <dcc:beginPerformanceDate>2020-03-01</dcc:beginPerformanceDate>
  <dcc:endPerformanceDate>2020-03-01</dcc:endPerformanceDate>
  <dcc:performanceLocation>laboratory</dcc:performanceLocation>
</dcc:coreData>
```

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## Next steps



- Build in additional validation (Microsoft Excel and Python)
  - Drop-down list to ensure only a valid value may be selected
  - Test that value of coverage probability does not exceed unity
- Apply more modular approach to Python code
  - Similar actions being repeated multiple times
- Apply to more complicated (and real) DCCs
  - Allow optional elements, repeated elements and setting of attribute values
  - May lead to use of different or additional Python packages
- Apply to existing measurement services
  - Focus first on less complex cases

## Software and software quality considerations



- Development of software for DCC generation requires appropriate rigour
- Representation of DCC contents is key aspect of user requirements for software
  - Challenging for large amounts of data
- DCCs different for different measurement services and metrology areas but much underlying functionality of software is the same
  - Points towards software development to be undertaken “centrally”, ensuring reuse, not reinvention, of software
- Challenges in working with existing measurement services
  - Flexibility in data storage and software implementation

## Conclusions



- Need for “Excel to DCC” pathway is recognised at NPL (and other NMIs)
- Implemented an approach to generation of a (simple) DCC using Python
  - For now, not an optimal approach, just an approach that works
  - Limited previous use of Python and knowledge of XML
  - Relatively straightforward to implement but still needs planning
- Need for continued collaboration to share approaches and help identify good practice

## A software solution for the practical creation of DCC files

Presenting author Maik Stotz, Stotz Software, Germany

### Abstract

In this lecture, a software solution for the practical creation of DCC files is presented. This software is currently under construction and is being developed by STOTZ-Software.

In calibration laboratories, it is common for measurement, order, and customer data to be recorded using a wide variety of programs. As a result, there is a large variety of databases used in laboratories in which the recorded data is stored.

The software presented here for creating digital calibration certificates supports all of these common database types and allows mapping to the structure of the DCC to be set up. In order to keep this mapping dynamic, formulas and conditions can be stored using a simple script language.

Once such a mapping has been set up, digital calibration certificates can then be created fully automatically and in large numbers.

The possibilities of this software will be presented in the lecture.

The structure of a mapping is then demonstrated using a concrete example and finally a digital calibration certificate is created.

A Fluke MET/TEAM database is used for this.

A software  
for creating  
DCC's

# AnyDcc

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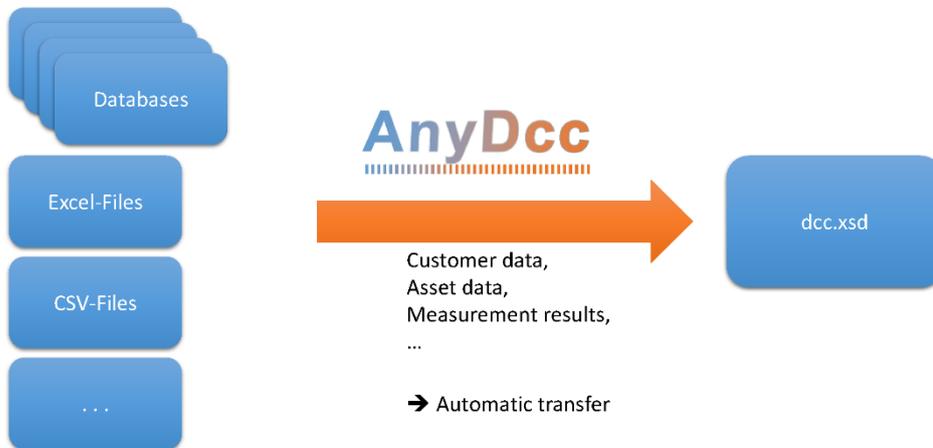
- Individual Software-Development, databases and automations for calibration laboratories
- Training courses for MET/CAL and MET/TEAM

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# DCC - Current situation and problem



# Create DCC's – Step 1

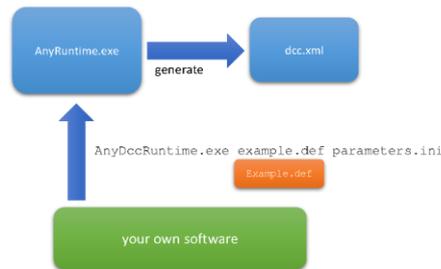
- Step 1: Create mapping between datasource and xsd-template
  - Build mapping between your special datasources and dcc-template
  - This work has to be done only once
  - This work is carried out together by IT specialists and laboratory personnel
  - The result is a file in which all data sources and mapping assignments are defined

Example.def

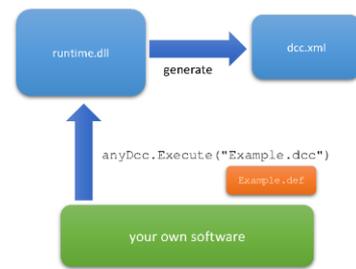
# Create DCC's – Step 2

- Step 2: execute the mapping-file with AnyDcc - Runtime

Call the `AnyDccRuntime.exe` and pass name of def-File



Developers can use a runtime DLL to create dcc's from their own programs



# Roadmap, Beta-Version and Release

- Roadmap
  - June / July → Beta-Version available / Test runs in selected laboratories (Germany)
  - October → Release
    - Workshop at conference Metrologietage 12. – 13. 10.2022 in Böblingen



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Thank you!!

## From Excel to DCC and human readable calibration certificate – user-friendly middleware and digital signature at work

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### Abstract

Harmonization of DCC templates within the community of calibration laboratories has been identified as one of the major objectives of DCC design in order to facilitate integration of DCC data into customers' systems. However, there are several reasons calibration laboratories have to be able to individualize these templates, e. g.

- customers' individual requirements regarding calibration and/or data presentation,
- changes in accreditation requirements (by the accreditation body or based on standard revisions),
- different types of calibration for the same measurand within a laboratory,
- changes in the calibration method and consequent changes in data presentation.

Additionally, multiple software solutions exist to create "classic" calibration certificates within the calibration laboratory community. To achieve a harmonization in this field is, most certainly, impossible. Thus, in order to establish workflows to generate DCCs in the calibration laboratories based on their individual software, suitable middleware is needed. Especially smaller calibration laboratories still rely on Microsoft Excel or similar spreadsheet applications to generate their certificates.

The Python based middleware "Ex2DCC" by Dr. Hans Koch enables calibration laboratories to generate DCCs and human readable certificates at the same time – applying their own individual Excel spreadsheet templates. Both, the spreadsheets, and the middleware itself may be customized to the laboratory's needs whenever needed.

In this presentation RfB's calibration laboratory Cologne likes to share

- its DCC template for clinical measurands,
- its process of creating a DCC and a human readable certificate with "Ex2DCC",
- its approach of digitally signing the DCC applying the commercial signature product of D-TRUST (Bundesdruckerei).

In addition to the mere results, questions to be asked within the process of establishing a DCC workflow and challenges regarding the laboratory's individual requirements as well as requirements for accreditation, will be presented.

## From Excel to DCC & human readable calibration certificate – user-friendly middleware & digital signature at work

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- Lead auditor for management systems at DAkkS
- Expert on DCC and developer of middleware “Ex2DCC”



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## Agenda



- Framework: What we do and what we need
- Workflow "Ex2DCC"
- Digital signature: Signature card & digiSeal® office
- Customized XML template



## Framework: RfB's calibration lab Cologne



- RfB: EQA provider, officially charged by the German Medical Association
  - Quality in laboratory medicine and patient care
  - Metrological traceability in laboratory medicine
- Accreditation: DIN EN/ISO 17025 & 15195
- Listed in the JCTLM database



## Framework: RfB's calibration lab Cologne

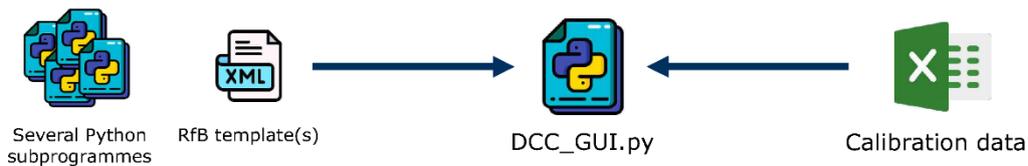


- 5 lab technicians + head of laboratory
- Reference measurement procedures, but with different types of calibration!
- Data processing mostly
- 1 of 4 accredited German calibration labs for **clinical measurands**

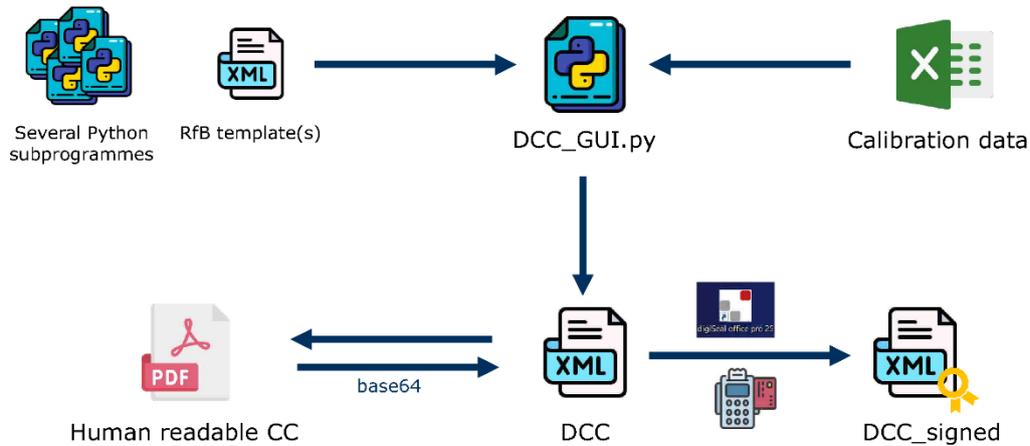


➤ Feasible, highly customisable solutions needed!

## From Excel to DCC & human readable CC



## From Excel to DCC & human readable CC



## Digital signature: the concept

- Generation of signature = commercial solutions
  - Signature card from D-TRUST (Bundesdruckerei) → 129 € / year
  - cyberJack® one card reader → 79,90 €
  - digiSeal® office pro 25 → 189 € / 2 years
- ✓ affordable
- ✓ ready to use
- ✓ QES in agreement with eIDAS



- Verification of signature = free solutions available, e. g. digiSeal® reader

## Digital signature

Laboratory:

**Signaturauftrag | REINER SCT cyberlock one 0**

Zertifikat und Status  
 ✓ Status der letzten Signaturprüfung des Zertifikats  
 ✓ Gültige bzw. fast  
 ✓ Qualifiziertes Zertifikat

Qualifiziertes Zertifikat

☐ nur qualifizierte Zertifikate anzeigen

Zertifikatsinhabername	Zertifikatsaussteller	Seriennummer
Dr. Caroline Stöbe	D-Trust GmbH	119417563840430...
Dr. Caroline Stöbe	D-Trust GmbH	4956312

Abbruch

Datum zum Zertifikat

Signaturgegenstand

Daten	Signaturformat	Desktoppfad
Demo_Certificate_R...	X.509-8-B-embed...	D:\DCC_20222\Demo_Cert...

Information Karte / Karte-Signatur  
 Karte: D-TRUST Card V3.1 (C)9 Standard  
 Kartensignatur: REINER SCT cyberlock one 0

Signaturzeitpunkt: 2022-02-28 12:36:59 GMT

Pin: \*\*\*\*\*

Abbruch

Signieren

Customer:

**Signatur(e) der Datei**

Prüfungsergebnis

⚠ Signatur nicht erfolgreich geprüft.  
 - Zertifikat entspricht nicht dem Datenformat  
 - Datei ist nicht qualifiziertes Zertifikat

Signierte Datei: Demo\_Certificate\_RMW\_DCC\_signed.ed  
 Prüfzeitpunkt: 2022-02-28 12:36:26 GMT  
 Prüfkomponenten: Demo\_Certificate\_RMW\_DCC\_signed.ed; Demo\_Verifikation.pdf

Signaturinformationen

Signierer: Dr. Caroline Stöbe  
 Signaturzeitpunkt GMT: 2022-02-28 12:06:59

Datum zum Zertifikat

☐ Datum zur Signatur von "Dr. Caroline Stöbe"

Durchgeführte Prüfungen

⚠ Signatur der Datei in automatischer Prüfung  
 - Datei ist nicht qualifiziertes Zertifikat  
 - Verwendete Algorithmen zum Signaturzeitpunkt geeignet  
 - Zertifikat & Pfad (Signierer und Zertifizierungsstelle) geeignet  
 - Zertifikat und IP-Adressen geeignet  
 - Keine Warnungen (Signierer)

✓ Zertifikatsanbieter (OCSP) (CRL)  
 Zertifikatsanbieter erfolgreich geprüft  
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 Ausstellerzeitpunkt Gültig (OCSP-Aussteller) vom 2022-02-28 12:06:57 GMT  
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OK

## XML template for clinical measurands

```

<dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.1.0/dcc.xsd" schemaVersion="3.1.0">
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    ...
  </dcc:document>
  <ds:Signature xmlns:ds="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#" Id="XMLSignature_8FB428CD07A3CECA5A9D74CF01058098D212190A">
    ...
  </ds:Signature>
</dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

- PTB scheme version 3.1.0
- DAkkS logo & human readable pdf embedded as base64
- All necessary statements according to 17025 accreditation
- XML signature via digiSeal® office and signature card

## XML template – measurement results & MU

```

<dcc:results>
  <dcc:result id="measurementValues">
    <dcc:name>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Messergebnisse</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Measurement results</dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <dcc:description>
      <dcc:content lang="de">Einzelmesswerte in mmol/mol unter Angabe des Kalibrierdatums:</dcc:content>
      <dcc:content lang="en">Single values in mmol/mol with corresponding date of calibration:</dcc:content>
    </dcc:description>
    <dcc:data>
      <dcc:list refType="gp_table1">
        <dcc:list refType="gp_value1">
          <dcc:quantity>
            <dcc:name>
              <dcc:content lang="de">1. Wert</dcc:content>
              <dcc:content lang="en">1. value</dcc:content>
            </dcc:name>
            <si:realListXMList>
              <si:labelXMList>D1 D2 D1 D2 D1 D2 </si:labelXMList>
              <si:valueXMList>42,62 43,92 41,70 37,59 39,72 39,93 </si:valueXMList>
              <si:unitXMList>mmol\mole\mole\tothe[-1]</si:unitXMList>
              <si:dateXMList>2022-01-24T00:00:00Z 2022-01-26T00:00:00Z 2022-01-28T00:00:00Z 2022-01-28T00:00:00Z 2022-01-28T00:00:00Z 2022-01-28T00:00:00Z </si:dateXMList>
            </si:realListXMList>
          </dcc:quantity>
        </dcc:list>
      </dcc:list>
    </dcc:data>
  </dcc:result>
</dcc:results>
    
```

	D1	D2	D1	D2	D1	D2
	24.01.2022	26.01.2022	28.01.2022	31.01.2022	07.02.2022	07.02.2022
1. Wert 1. value	42,62	43,92	41,70	37,59	39,72	39,93
2. Wert 2. value	37,79	37,09	41,63	38,60	39,82	39,62
3. Wert 3. value	37,52	37,34	38,95	38,65	39,31	39,36
4. Wert 4. value	36,73	36,95	37,37	38,06	38,87	38,01

## XML template – measurement results & MU

```

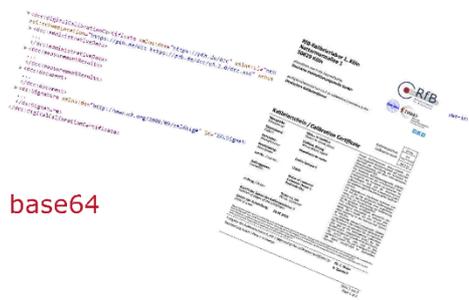
<dcc:quantity refType="basic_referenceValue">
  <dcc:name>
    <dcc:content lang="de">Referenzmethodenwert</dcc:content>
    <dcc:content lang="en">Reference measurement value</dcc:content>
  </dcc:name>
  <si:real>
    <si:label>mmol/mol</si:label>
    <si:value>39.0</si:value>
    <si:unit>mmol\mole\mole\tothe[-1]</si:unit>
    <si:expandedUnc>
      <si:uncertainty>0.8</si:uncertainty>
      <si:coverageFactor>2.1</si:coverageFactor>
      <si:coverageProbability>0.95</si:coverageProbability>
    </si:expandedUnc>
  </si:real>
</dcc:quantity>
    
```

<b>Referenzmethodenwert:</b> <i>Reference measurement value:</i>	<b>39,0</b>	<b>mmol/mol</b>
Erweiterte Messunsicherheit: <i>Expanded measurement uncertainty:</i>	0,8	mmol/mol
Rel. erweiterte Messunsicherheit: <i>Rel. expanded measurement uncertainty:</i>	2,1	%
Erweiterungsfaktor <i>k</i> / Coverage factor <i>k</i> :	2,1	

## Summary



- Customised, Python based middleware „Ex2DCC“ by Prof. Dr. Koch:
  - DCC & human readable pdf from Excel-Datafile
  
- XML-DCC:
  - PTB scheme 3.1.0
  - Customised for calibration of clinical measurands
  - Embedding of accreditation logo & human readable via base64
  - QES via signature card & commercial software



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## A no-code Excel tool for generating DCCs

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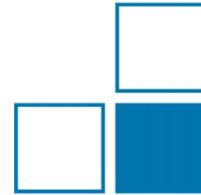
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### Abstract

Based on an idea presented at the 2021 IMEKO World Congress (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.measen.2021.100175>), a tool is developed which allows the digital calibration certificate (DCC) to be generated in Excel without any coding by the user. This is especially useful if all data that should be used in the certificate is already available in Excel, which is often the case since many calibration laboratories use this spreadsheet software for the data acquisition and the results calculation. The presented tool implements the version 3.0 of the DCC schema definition (dcc.xsd) and the version 2.0 of the D-SI (SI-Format.xsd). For using the tool, Excel macros must be enabled. If this is the case, the tool's VBA source code and the necessary worksheets can be copied to the user's own Excel file automatically. In this file, the structure of the DCC can be created by clicking and answering questions or entering data. The last can be text, links to cells or formulas. It is also possible to use the tool only for setting up the structure of the DCC and entering the data using Excel functionality without macros. Both methods allow the DCC to be set up as a template, that means, the final DCC as XML file will always incorporate the current values of cells and formula results. If all data fields are filled with the relevant data, the DCC is created by clicking one button. The no-code approach – no xml coding is necessary – makes the DCC available to laboratories not having professional programming skills or resources.

# A no-code Excel tool for generating DCCs

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## General ideas



Calibration certificates for static force and torque calibrations in PTB  
(for example, ISO 376)

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Seite 2 zum Kalibrierschein vom 10.02.2021, Kalibrierschein:				
2	Page 2 of calibration certificate of 10.02.2021, calibration mark:				
3	In case of doubts the German text of this certificate is valid.				
4	1 Kalibrierverfahren / Calibration procedure DIN EN ISO 376:2011-09				
5	Wartezeit				
6	Wartezeit				
7	2 Kraft-Normalmessenrichtung / Force standard machine				
8					
9					
10					
11	Relative Messunsicherheit der Kraft im verwendeten Messbereich ( $k = 2$ )				
12	Relative measurement uncertainty of the force in the measuring range used ( $k = 2$ )				
13	3 Kalibriervorrichtung / Calibration arrangement				
14	3.1 Kraftaufnehmer / Force transducer				
15					
16					
17	Typ				
18	Typ				
19	Kennnummer				
20	Serial number				
21	Hersteller				
22	Manufacturer				
23	Kalibrierung				
24	Calibration				
25					
26					
27	3.2 Anzeigergerät / Indicator				
28	Typ				
29	Typ				
30	Kennnummer				
31	Serial number				
32	Hersteller				
33	Hersteller				
34	Messbereich		Auflösung		
35	Measuring range		Resolution		
36	Messkanal		Kalibrierwert		
37	Measuring channel		Calibration signal		
38	Speisepannung		Tiefpassfilter		
39	Excitation voltage		Low-pass filter		
40	3.3 Einspannteile / Mounting parts				
41					
42					

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Seite 3 zum Kalibrierschein vom 10.02.2021, Kalibrierschein:							
2	Page 3 of the Calibration Certificate dated 10.02.2021, calibration mark:							
3	In case of doubts the German text of this certificate is valid.							
4	4. Ergebnisse und Auswertung / Results and evaluation							
5	Kraftmessung, Druckkraft							
6	Force application, compressive							
7	Untere Messkomponente /							
8	Lower measuring component							
9	Aufnehmerausgangssignal /							
10	Transducer output signal							
11	Deviationswert der Vorbelastungen							
12	Deviation value of pre-loadings							
13	Einbaueinstellung							
14	Mounting position							
15	Nullanzeige $F_0$							
16	Indicator at zero load							
17	Anzeige bei Höchstlast $F_N$							
18	Indicator at max. force							
19	Richtanzeige $F_1$							
20	Indicator after preloading							
21	Tabelle 2: Relative Restverschieben bezogen auf die Höchstlast in %							
22	Table 2: Relative zero shift after preloading related to the maximum force in %							
23	Nach Vorbelastungen / After pre-loadings							
24	Einbaueinstellung							
25	Mounting position							
26	Null-Nullpunktabweichung $f_0$							
27	Max error							
28	Nach Messreihe n / After measurement series							
29	Messreihe							
30	Measurement series							
31	Hilf Nullpunktabweichung $f_1$							
32	Max error							
33	Tabelle 3: Nullkomponente Anzeigewerte der Kriechmessung							
34	Table 3: Zero-component values indicated for series of creep test							
35	Einbaueinstellung							
36	Mounting position							
37	Nullanzeige							
38	Indicator at zero load							
39	Anzeige bei Höchstlast $f_{0,10}$ nach 10 s							
40	Indicator at max. force after 10 s							
41	Anzeige bei Höchstlast $f_{0,300}$ nach 300 s							
42	Indicator at max. force after 300 s							

## General ideas



## Calibration certificates for static force and torque calibrations in PTB (for example, ISO 376)

Seite 2 zum Kalibrierschein vom 06.12.2018, Kalibrierzeichen: Test 2020-01 Page 2 of calibration certificate of 06.12.2018, calibration mark: Test 2020-01		in case of doubts the German text of this certificate is valid.	
1. Kalibrierverfahren / Calibration procedure			
2. Kraft-Normalmessenrichtung / Force standard machine			
3. Kalibrieraordnung / Calibration arrangement			
3.1 Kraftaufnehmer / Force transducer			
3.2 Anzeigergerät / Indicator			
3.3 Einspannteile / Mounting parts			

Seite 3 zum Kalibrierschein vom 06.12.2018, Kalibrierzeichen: Test 2020-01 Page 3 of the Calibration Certificate dated 06.12.2018, calibration mark: Test 2020-01		Kaufprüfung, Druckluft Flow calibration, compressed	
4. Ergebnisse und Auswertung / Results and evaluation			
Mittlere Messwerttemperatur Mean measuring temperature			
Aufnahmefrequenz Zero signal of the transducer			
Tabelle 1: Nullkorrigierte Anzeigewerte der Vorbelastungen in mV/V Table 1: Zero-revised values indicated for preloads in mV/V			
Tabelle 2: Relative Restanzeigen bezogen auf Table 2: Relative zero shift after preloading related to the maximum force in %			
Tabelle 3: Nullkorrigierte Anzeigewerte der Kriechmessung Table 3: Zero-revised values indicated for series of creep test			

## General ideas



## Calibration certificates for static force and torque calibrations in PTB

- All data and all necessary certificate results in the required layout available in Excel (a kind of DCC in an \*.xl\* file, an Excel-DCC)
- Certificate saved as PDF directly out of Excel (a PDF-DCC)
- Aims:
  - To save the XML, based on the dcc.xsd and the SI\_Format.xsd, directly out of Excel as XML-DCC
  - To generate the XML with low programming effort (low-code or even no-code) and focus on the structure and content.

## The way to a no-code tool - Steps



### Analysis of the DCC and SI\_Format schemas

- XSD Diagram (freeware) and
- DCC Wiki

### Definition of elements in Excel using names and including

- their frequency of occurrence (mandatory, optional, additional, different types of choices, ...)
- child elements and
- attributes.

### Programming of macros.

## The way to a no-code tool - Timeline



End of 2020: first ideas

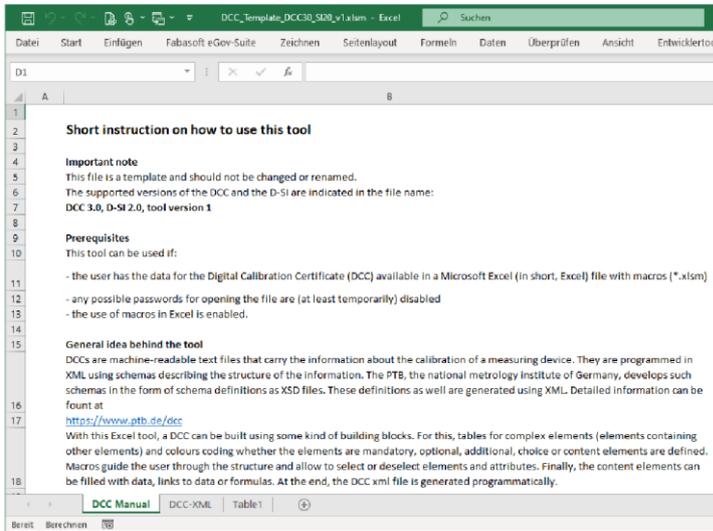
Early in 2021: first tests with  
dcc.xsd, version 2.3.0 and  
SI\_Format.xsd, version 1.3.0

End of summer 2021: publication of the main principles  
IMEKO World Congress

End of 2021: new version from scratch with  
dcc.xsd, version 3.0.0 and  
SI\_Format.xsd, version 2.0.0

Since 2022: tests of the current version  
DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_SI20\_v1.xlsm

## The way to a no-code tool – Current state

**Short instruction on how to use this tool**

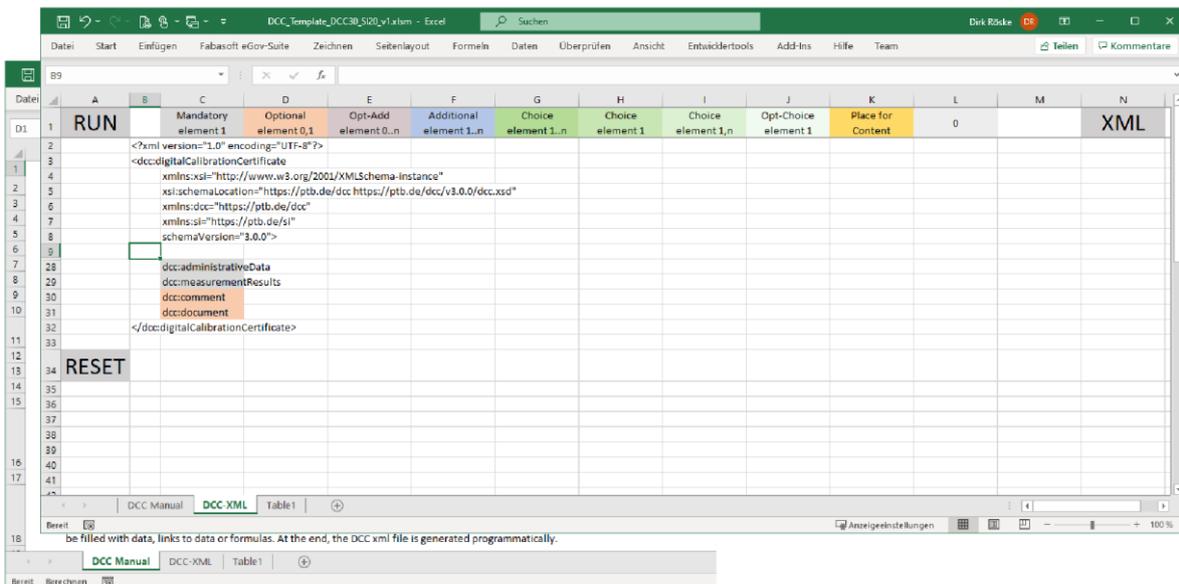
**Important note**  
This file is a template and should not be changed or renamed.  
The supported versions of the DCC and the D-SI are indicated in the file name:  
**DCC 3.0, D-SI 2.0, tool version 1**

**Prerequisites**  
This tool can be used if:

- the user has the data for the Digital Calibration Certificate (DCC) available in a Microsoft Excel (In short, Excel) file with macros (\*.xism)
- any possible passwords for opening the file are (at least temporarily) disabled
- the use of macros in Excel is enabled.

**General idea behind the tool**  
DCCs are machine-readable text files that carry the information about the calibration of a measuring device. They are programmed in XML using schemas describing the structure of the information. The PTB, the national metrology institute of Germany, develops such schemas in the form of schema definitions as XSD files. These definitions as well as are generated using XML. Detailed information can be found at <https://www.ptb.de/dcc>  
With this Excel tool, a DCC can be built using some kind of building blocks. For this, tables for complex elements (elements containing other elements) and colours coding whether the elements are mandatory, optional, additional, choice or content elements are defined. Macros guide the user through the structure and allow to select or deselect elements and attributes. Finally, the content elements can be filled with data, links to data or formulas. At the end, the DCC xml file is generated programmatically.

## The way to a no-code tool – Current state

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
D1	1	RUN	Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML
	2		<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <digitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" schemaVersion="3.0.0"> <administrativeData dcc:measurementResults dcc:comment dcc:document </digitalCalibrationCertificate>											
	34	RESET												

## How to use the tool – Four simple rules



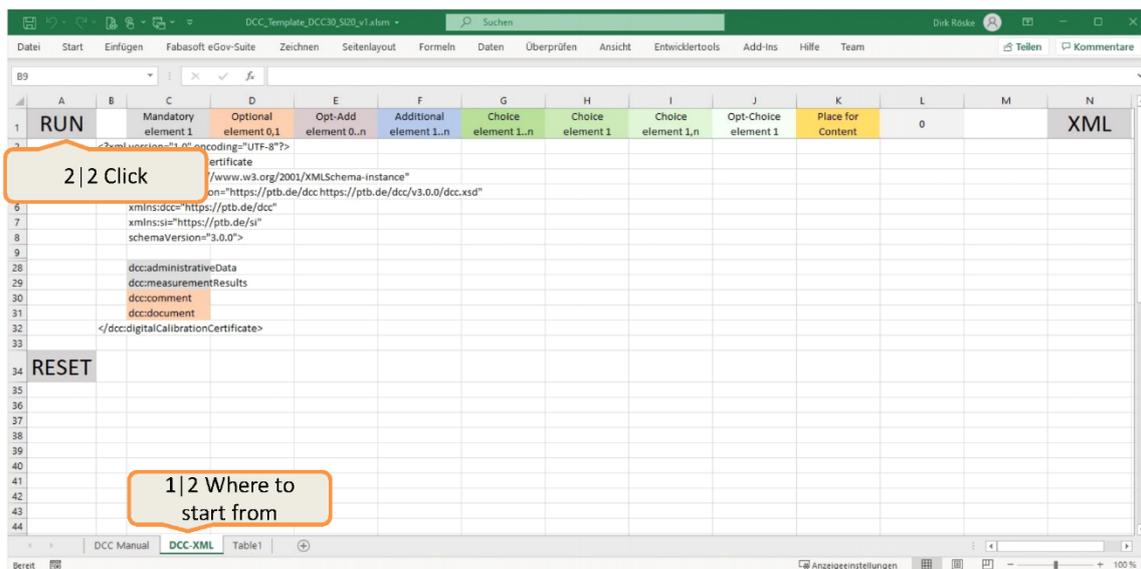
The tool must be integrated in the user's Excel file  
- this is supported by macros.

The user must activate (Click on **RUN**) the DCC-XML worksheet and process all coloured cells excluding that in row 1 and **RESET**.

Cells with golden background colour will carry the data of the DCC, all other cells define the structure (a counter shows the number of golden cells which need input).

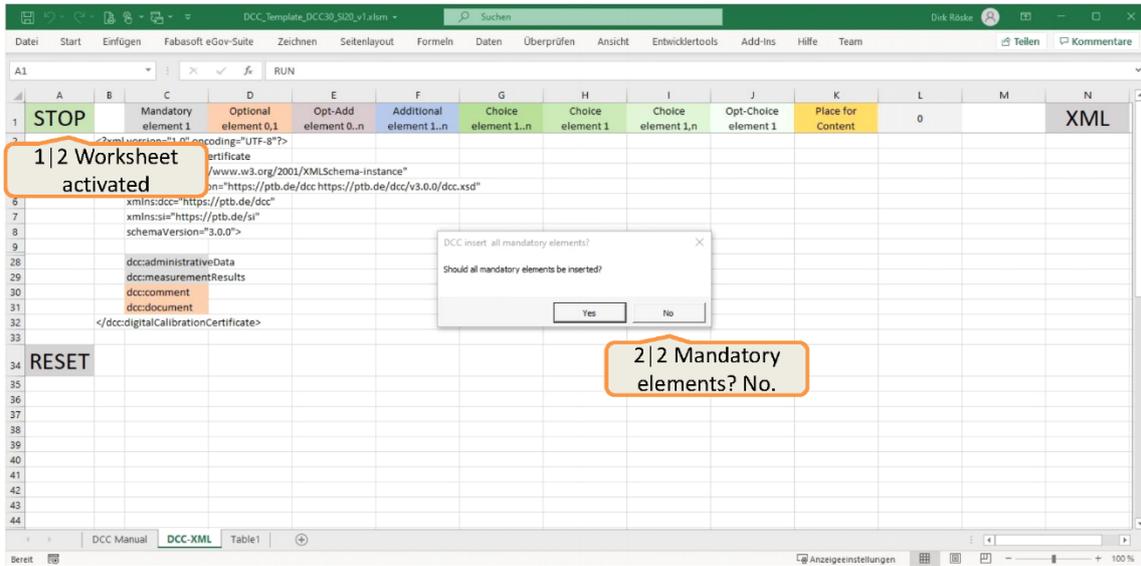
At the end the XML is generated with click on **XML**.

## How to use the tool – Some details

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled "DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S202\_v1.xlsx". The spreadsheet is organized into columns representing different XML elements: Mandatory, Optional, Opt-Add, Additional, Choice, Opt-Choice, and Place for Content. Row 1 contains buttons for "RUN", "RESET", and "XML". A callout box "2 | 2 Click" points to the "RUN" button. Another callout box "1 | 2 Where to start from" points to the "RESET" button. The spreadsheet content includes XML schema definitions and a partial XML structure.

## How to use the tool – Some details

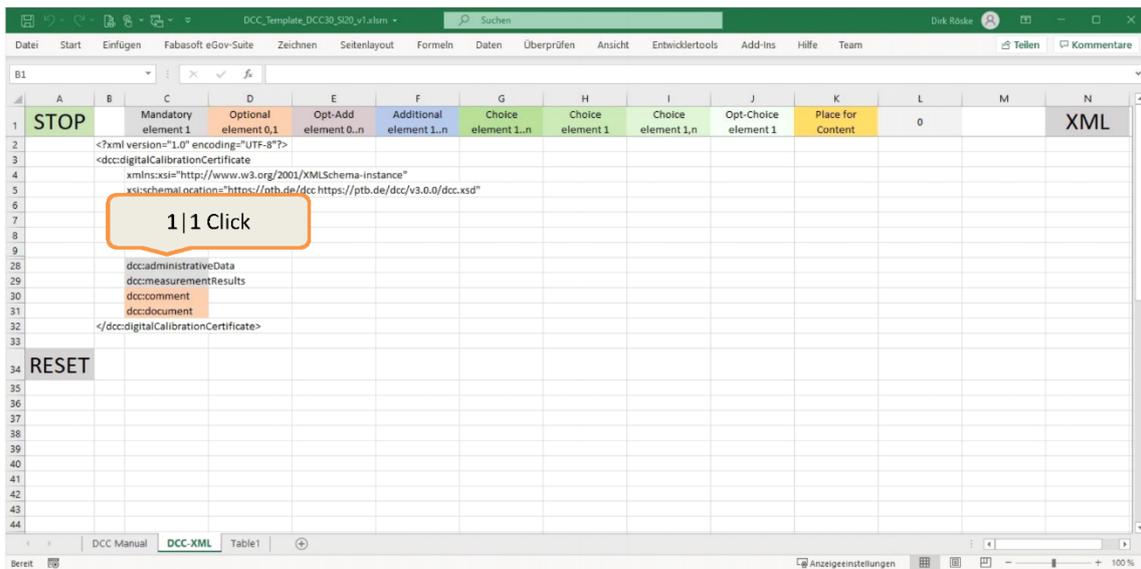
The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with a worksheet titled 'DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xlsm'. The worksheet has columns labeled A through N. Column A contains 'STOP', column B 'Mandatory element 1', column C 'Optional element 0,1', column D 'Opt-Add element 0..n', column E 'Additional element 1..n', column F 'Choice element 1..n', column G 'Choice element 1', column H 'Choice element 1..n', column I 'Opt-Choice element 1', column J 'Place for Content', column K '0', and column N 'XML'. The XML content in the worksheet is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns: xsi="https://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd">
  dcc:administrativeData
  dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:comment
  dcc:document
</digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

A dialog box is open in the center of the screen with the text: "DCC insert all mandatory elements? Should all mandatory elements be inserted?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. An orange callout box points to the dialog with the text "2 | 2 Mandatory elements? No.". Another orange callout box points to the worksheet with the text "1 | 2 Worksheet activated". A "RESET" button is visible in cell A34.

## How to use the tool – Some details

The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with a worksheet titled 'DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xlsm'. The worksheet has columns labeled A through N. Column A contains 'STOP', column B 'Mandatory element 1', column C 'Optional element 0,1', column D 'Opt-Add element 0..n', column E 'Additional element 1..n', column F 'Choice element 1..n', column G 'Choice element 1', column H 'Choice element 1..n', column I 'Opt-Choice element 1', column J 'Place for Content', column K '0', and column N 'XML'. The XML content in the worksheet is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd">
  dcc:administrativeData
  dcc:measurementResults
  dcc:comment
  dcc:document
</digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

An orange callout box points to the XML content with the text "1 | 1 Click". A "RESET" button is visible in cell A34.

## How to use the tool – Some details



DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xslom  
 Datei Start Einfügen Fabasoft eGov-Suite Zeichnen Seitenlayout Formeln Daten Überprüfen Ansicht Entwicklertools Add-Ins Hilfe Team Tellen Kommentare  
 <dccaadministrativeData>  
 A B C D E F G H I J K L M N  
 1 STOP Mandatory Optional Opt-Add Additional Choice Choice Choice Opt-Choice Place for Content 0 XML  
 2 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
 3 <dccdigitalCalibrationCertificate  
 4 xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"  
 5 xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"  
 6 xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"  
 7 schemaVersion="3.0.0">  
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 29 <dccSoftware  
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 31 <items  
 32 <calibrationLaboratory  
 33 <respPersons  
 34 <customer  
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 36 </dccaadministrativeData>  
 37 <dccmeasurementResults  
 38 <dcccomment  
 39 <dccdocument  
 40 </dccaadministrativeData>  
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 DCC Manual DCC-XML Table1  
 Bereit Berechnen Anzeigeeinstellungen 100%

## How to use the tool – Some details



DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xslom  
 Datei Start Einfügen Fabasoft eGov-Suite Zeichnen Seitenlayout Formeln Daten Überprüfen Ansicht Entwicklertools Add-Ins Hilfe Team Tellen Kommentare  
 <dccaadministrativeData>  
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 3 <dccdigitalCalibrationCertificate  
 4 xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"  
 5 xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"  
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 DCC Manual DCC-XML Table1  
 Bereit Berechnen Anzeigeeinstellungen 100%

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software>
        </software>
      </software>
      <coreData>
        <items>
          <calibrationLaboratory>
            <persons>
              <customer>
                <statements>
          </administrativeData>
          <measurementResults>
            <comment>
    
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is displayed, asking: "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'id' for 'software'?" with "Yes" and "No" buttons.

An orange callout box with the text "2 | 5 Use the attribute 'id'?" points to the dialog box.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="ID_DATA">
        </software>
      </software>
      <coreData>
        <items>
          <calibrationLaboratory>
            <persons>
              <customer>
                <statements>
          </administrativeData>
          <measurementResults>
            <comment>
    
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is displayed, asking: "Enter the value or accept the default:" with a text input field containing "ID\_DATA" and "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

An orange callout box with the text "3 | 5 Textbox for entering the data" points to the dialog box.



## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is open, asking "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'id' for 'dccname'?". Below the dialog, a callout box contains the text "2 | 2 Use the attribute 'id'". The XML editor shows the following code:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID"
        dccname="
      </software>
    </administrativeData>
    <coreData>
      <items>
        <calibrationLaboratory>
          <persons>
            <customer>
              <statements>
            </statements>
          </customer>
        </persons>
        <calibrationLaboratory>
          <items>
            <statements>
          </items>
        </calibrationLaboratory>
      </coreData>
    </digitalCalibrationCertificate>
  
```

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with the XML editor. A callout box points to the "id" attribute in the XML code, labeled "1 | 8 Click". The XML editor shows the following code:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID"
        dccname="
      </software>
    </administrativeData>
    <coreData>
      <items>
        <calibrationLaboratory>
          <persons>
            <customer>
              <statements>
            </statements>
          </customer>
        </persons>
        <calibrationLaboratory>
          <items>
            <statements>
          </items>
        </calibrationLaboratory>
      </coreData>
    </digitalCalibrationCertificate>
  
```

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID"
        <name>
      </name>
    </software>
  </administrativeData>
  <coreData>
    <items>
      <calibrationLaboratory>
      <respPersons>
    </coreData>
  </digitalCalibrationCertificate
  
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is displayed, asking: "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'id' for 'dcc:content'?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. A callout box with the text "2 | 8 Use the attribute 'id?'" points to the dialog.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID"
        <name>
      </name>
    </software>
  </administrativeData>
  <coreData>
    <items>
      <calibrationLaboratory>
      <respPersons>
    </coreData>
  </digitalCalibrationCertificate
  
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is displayed, asking: "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'lang' for 'dcc:content'?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. A callout box with the text "3 | 8 Use the attribute 'lang?'" points to the dialog.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML tool interface with a dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" open. The dialog box contains the text "Enter the value or accept the default:" and a text input field containing the value "de". Below the input field are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. An orange callout box with the text "4 | 8 Textbox for entering the data" points to the input field. The background shows an XML editor with a tree view of the document structure and a table of element types.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML tool interface with a dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" open. The dialog box contains the text "Enter the value or accept the default:" and a text input field containing the value "en". Below the input field are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. An orange callout box with the text "5 | 8 Input 'en' for English" points to the input field. The background shows an XML editor with a tree view of the document structure and a table of element types.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML tool interface. The main window displays an XML document with the following structure:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:dccSoftware>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID"
        <dcc:name>
      </dcc:content>
    </dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    dcc:release
    dcc:description
  </dcc:software>
  dcc:software
</dcc:dccSoftware>
  dcc:coreData
  dcc:items
  dcc:calibrationLaboratory
  dcc:respPersons
  
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is open, asking: "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'refId' for 'dcc:content'?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. An orange callout box points to the dialog with the text "6 | 8 Use the attribute 'refId'?".

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML tool interface. The main window displays an XML document with the following structure:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:dccSoftware>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID"
        <dcc:name>
      </dcc:content>
    </dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    dcc:release
    dcc:description
  </dcc:software>
  dcc:software
</dcc:dccSoftware>
  dcc:coreData
  dcc:items
  dcc:calibrationLaboratory
  dcc:respPersons
  
```

A dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute" is open, asking: "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'refType' for 'dcc:content'?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. An orange callout box points to the dialog with the text "7 | 8 Use the attribute 'refType'?".



## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC-XML tool interface with the XML editor open. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID">
        <name>
          <content lang="en">
            DATA xs:string
          </content>
        </name>
      </software>
    </administrativeData>
  </digitalCalibrationCertificate>
  
```

A callout box labeled "1 | 1 Click" points to the "content" element within the "name" element of the "software" element.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC-XML tool interface with the XML editor open. The XML content is as follows:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<digitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <administrativeData>
    <software>
      <software id="softwareID">
        <name>
          <content lang="en">
            DATA xs:string
          </content>
        </name>
      </software>
    </administrativeData>
  </digitalCalibrationCertificate>
  
```

Two callout boxes are present:

- "2 | 2 Notice the counter for data cells." points to the "2" in the "content" element's value.
- "1 | 2 A new data cell appeared." points to the "1" in the "content" element's value.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface with a table containing XML tags. A dialog box titled "DCC optional element" is open, asking "Do you want to use the optional element?". The dialog has three buttons: "Yes", "No", and "Cancel". A callout box with an orange border and the text "2 | 2 Use the optional element?" points to the dialog. The table below the dialog shows the following XML structure:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:dccSoftware>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID">
      <dcc:name>
    </dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <dcc:release>
    </dcc:release>
    <dcc:description>
  </dcc:software>
  <dcc:software>
</dcc:dccSoftware>
  <dcc:coreData>
  <dcc:items>
  <dcc:calibrationLaboratory>
  <dcc:respPersons>
  </d>
  
```

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface with the same XML template as above. A callout box with an orange border and the text "1 | 7 Click" points to the "DATA xs:string" value in the XML structure. The table below the callout shows the following XML structure:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:dccSoftware>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID">
      <dcc:name>
    <dcc:content lang="en">
    </dcc:content>
    </dcc:name>
    <dcc:release>
    </dcc:release>
    <dcc:description>
  </dcc:software>
  <dcc:software>
</dcc:dccSoftware>
  <dcc:coreData>
  <dcc:items>
  <dcc:calibrationLaboratory>
  <dcc:respPersons>
  </d>
  
```

## How to use the tool – Some details



3 | 7 Click 'Select cell'.

2 | 7 Dialogue for data type and action

## How to use the tool – Some details



4 | 7 Notice the input box.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface with a spreadsheet titled "DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xlsx". The spreadsheet has columns A through R and rows 1 through 28. A callout box with an orange border is positioned over cell C3, containing the text "5 | 7 Select the sheet and click the cell C3.". An "Eingabe" (Input) dialog box is open in the foreground, displaying "Please select a cell or cell range:" and "Table1!\$C\$3". The dialog has "OK" and "Abbrechen" (Cancel) buttons. The spreadsheet content includes "Software" in cell B3 and "Vers" in cell B4.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface with a spreadsheet titled "DCC\_Template\_DCC30\_S20\_v1.xlsx". The spreadsheet is in "ZÄHLENWENN" (COUNTIF) mode and displays an XML schema template. The columns are labeled with schema elements: "Mandatory element 1", "Optional element 0..1", "Opt-Add element 0..n", "Additional element 1..n", "Choice element 1..n", "Choice element 1", "Choice element 1..n", "Opt-Choice element 1", "Place for Content", and "XML". The content of the spreadsheet is XML code, including the root element <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>, namespace declarations, and the <dcc:administrativeData> element. A callout box with an orange border is positioned over the cell containing the formula "=Table1!\$C\$3", with the text "6 | 7 Cell address inserted". The spreadsheet content includes "STOP" in cell A1 and "XML" in cell N1.

## How to use the tool – Some details



7 | 7 Data from linked cell displayed

1 | 4 Click

## How to use the tool – Some details



3 | 4 Enter text '1.2.3'.

2 | 4 Dialogue for data type and action



## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML editor interface. A dialog box titled "DCC additional element" is open, asking "Do you want to use the additional element?". The dialog has three buttons: "Yes", "No", and "Cancel". A callout box with an orange border points to the dialog and contains the text "2 | 2 Use the additional element?". The background shows the XML editor with a table of options and XML code.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	STOP		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC XML editor interface. The XML code for the "Additional element 1..n" option is visible. A callout box with an orange border points to the code and contains the text "1 | 6 Click". The background shows the XML editor with a table of options and XML code.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	STOP		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML

## How to use the tool – Some details



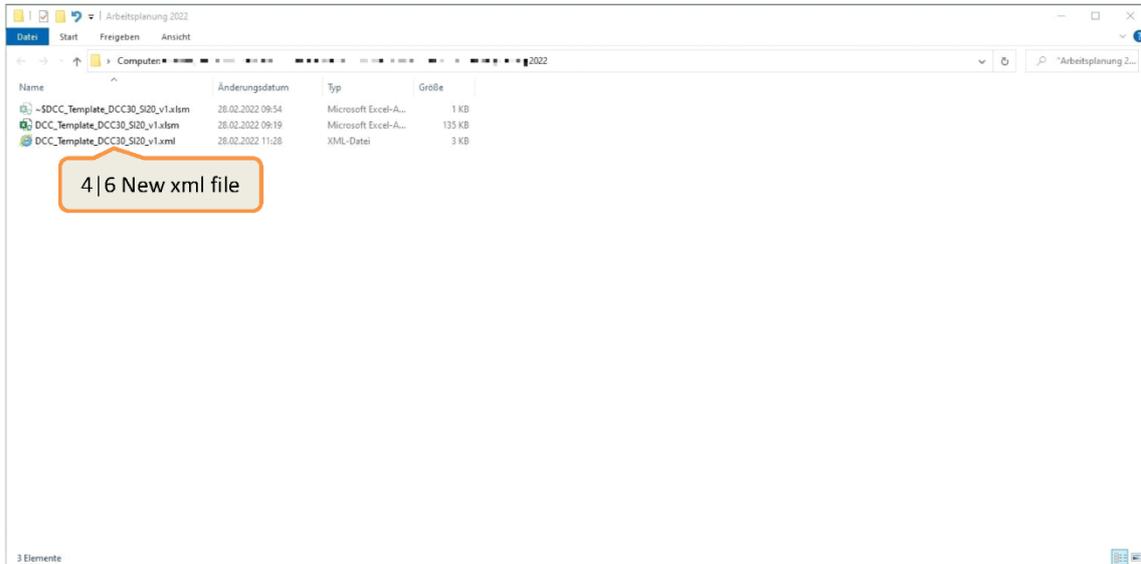
The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with XML data. A dialog box titled "DCC generation" is open, asking "Do you want to create the digital calibration certificate (xml file)?". The dialog has "Yes" and "No" buttons. An orange callout box with the text "2 | 6 Confirmation" points to the dialog. The XML data in the spreadsheet includes elements like <digitalCalibrationCertificate>, <administrativeData>, <software>, <software id="softwareID">, <software name>, <content>, <name>, <release>, <release>, </software>, </software>, <softwareData>, <items>, <calibrationLaboratory>, <respPersons>, <customer>.

## How to use the tool – Some details

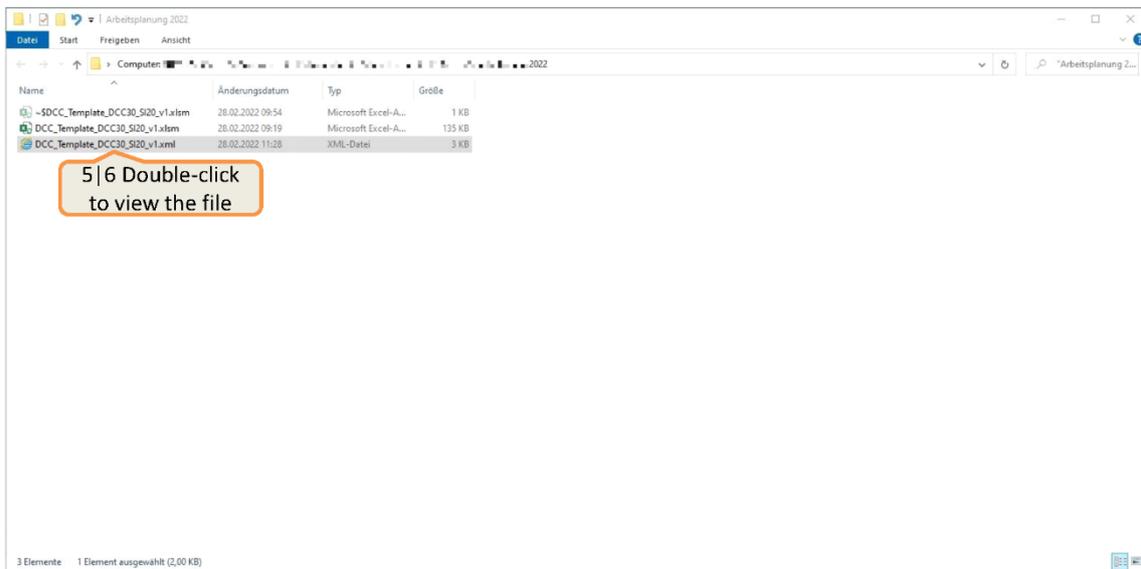


The screenshot shows the same Excel spreadsheet as above. The dialog box now displays the message "The DCC was created." and has an "OK" button. An orange callout box with the text "3 | 6 Notification" points to the dialog. The XML data in the spreadsheet is the same as in the previous screenshot.

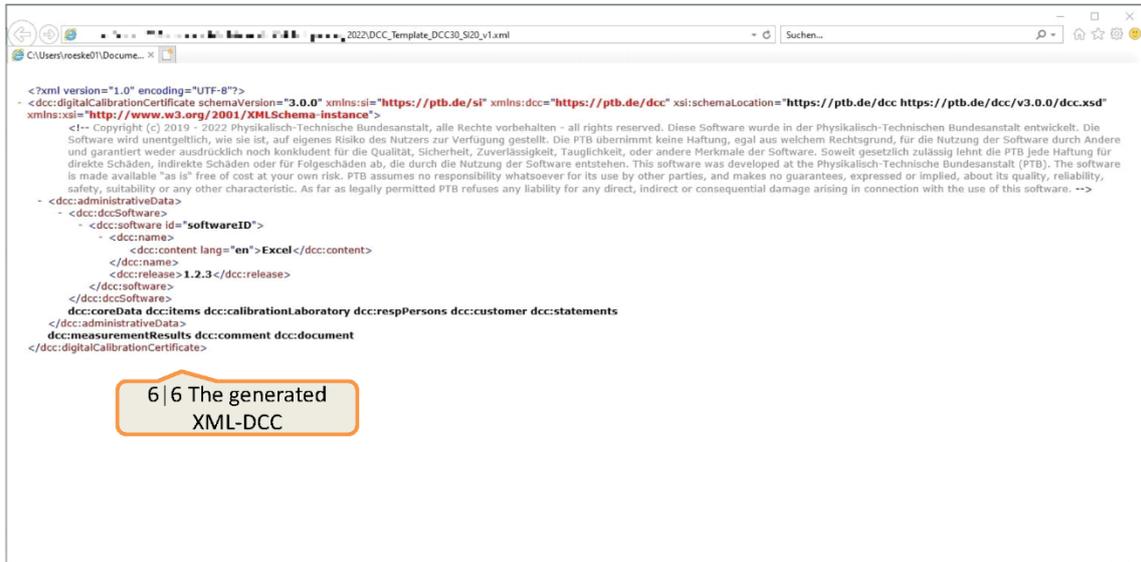
## How to use the tool – Some details



## How to use the tool – Some details



## How to use the tool – Some details

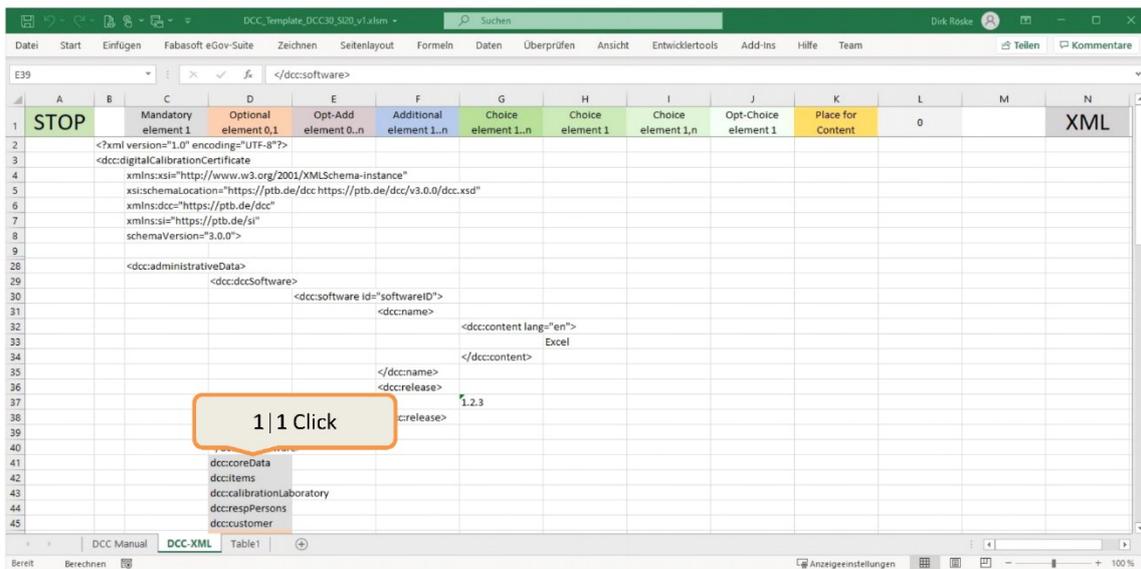



```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate schemaVersion="3.0.0" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
xmlns:si="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
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  <dcc:administrativeData>
  <dcc:software>
    <dcc:software id="softwareID">
      <dcc:name>
        <dcc:content lang="en">Excel</dcc:content>
      </dcc:name>
      <dcc:release>1.2.3</dcc:release>
    </dcc:software>
  </dcc:dccSoftware>
  <dcc:coreData dcc:items dcc:calibrationLaboratory dcc:respPersons dcc:customer dcc:statements
  </dcc:administrativeData>
  <dcc:measurementResults dcc:comment dcc:document
</dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>
  
```

6 | 6 The generated XML-DCC

## How to use the tool – Some details

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	STOP		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0..1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML
2			<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>											
3			<dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate											
4			xmlns:si="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"											
5			xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"											
6			xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"											
7			xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"											
8			schemaVersion="3.0.0">											
9														
28			<dcc:administrativeData>											
29			<dcc:software>											
30			<dcc:software id="softwareID">											
31			<dcc:name>											
32			<dcc:content lang="en">											
33			Excel											
34			</dcc:content>											
35			</dcc:name>											
36			<dcc:release>											
37			1.2.3											
38			</dcc:release>											
40														
41			</dcc:software>											
42			<dcc:coreData											
43			dcc:items											
44			dcc:calibrationLaboratory											
45			dcc:respPersons											
45			dcc:customer											

1 | 1 Click

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with the XML schema editor open. The XML content is as follows:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:software>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID">
        <dcc:name>
          <dcc:content lang="en">Excel</dccc:content>
        </dccc:name>
      </dccc:name>
      <dcc:release>
        1.2.3
      </dccc:release>
    </dccc:software>
  </dccc:administrativeData>
  <dccc:coreData>
    <dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
      dcc:countryCodeISO3166_1
    </dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
    <dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
      dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1
    </dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
    <dccc:uniqueIdentifier>
    </dccc:uniqueIdentifier>
  </dccc:coreData>
</dccc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate>
```

A callout box labeled "1 | 1 Click" points to the "dccc:software" element in the XML tree.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with the XML schema editor open. The XML content is as follows:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc"
  xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si"
  schemaVersion="3.0.0">
  <dcc:administrativeData>
    <dcc:software>
      <dcc:software id="softwareID">
        <dcc:name>
          <dcc:content lang="en">Excel</dccc:content>
        </dccc:name>
      </dccc:name>
      <dcc:release>
        1.2.3
      </dccc:release>
    </dccc:software>
  </dccc:administrativeData>
  <dccc:coreData>
    <dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
      DATA dcc:stringISO3166
    </dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
    <dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
      dcc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1
    </dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1>
    <dccc:uniqueIdentifier>
    </dccc:uniqueIdentifier>
  </dccc:coreData>
</dccc:DigitalCalibrationCertificate>
```

A callout box labeled "2 | 2 Notice the counter for data cells." points to the "dccc:countryCodeISO3166\_1" element in the XML tree.

A callout box labeled "1 | 1 A new data cell appeared." points to the "DATA dcc:stringISO3166" value in the XML tree.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with columns representing XML elements: STOP, Mandatory element 1, Optional element 0,1, Opt-Add element 0..n, Additional element 1..n, Choice element 1..n, Choice element 1, Choice element 1..n, Opt-Choice element 1, Place for Content, and XML. The 'Place for Content' cell is highlighted in red. A callout box labeled '1 | 5 Click' points to this cell. Another callout box labeled '1 | 1 A new data cell appeared.' points to a cell containing 'DATA ddcstringISO3166'.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the same Excel spreadsheet as above. A dialog box titled 'DCC generation' is open, asking 'Do you want to create the digital calibration certificate (xml file)?' with a note: 'NOTE: There are 1 fields with missing content.' The dialog has 'Yes' and 'No' buttons. A callout box labeled '2 | 5 Confirmation' points to the 'Yes' button.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC generation tool interface. The main window displays an Excel spreadsheet with columns labeled A through N. The spreadsheet contains XML data for a digital calibration certificate. A dialog box titled "DCC generation" is open, displaying the message "The DCC was created." and an "OK" button. A callout box with the text "3 | 5 Notification" points to the dialog box.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the content of an XML file, which is a digital calibration certificate. The XML structure includes the following elements:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
< dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate schemaVersion="3.0.0" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
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  < dcc:administrativeData>
  < dcc:dccSoftware>
  < dcc:software id="softwareID">
  < dcc:name>
  < dcc:content lang="en">Excel</ dcc:content>
  </ dcc:name>
  < dcc:release> 1.2.3 </ dcc:release>
  </ dcc:software>
  </ dcc:dccSoftware>
  < dcc:coreData dcc:items dcc:calibrationLaboratory dcc:respPersons dcc:customer dcc:statements
  </ dcc:administrativeData>
  < dcc:measurementResults dcc:comment dcc:document
  </ dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

A callout box with the text "4 | 5 Still the old xml file, update with F5." points to the XML content.

## How to use the tool – Some details



```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate schemaVersion="3.0.0" xmlns:si="https://ptb.de/si" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
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safety, suitability or any other characteristic. As far as legally permitted PTB refuses any liability for any direct, indirect or consequential damage arising in connection with the use of this software. -->
<!-- administrativeData -->
<!-- dccSoftware -->
<!-- coreData -->
<!-- items -->
<!-- administrativeData -->
<!-- measurementResults -->
</dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>

```

5 | 5 The updated xml file.

## How to use the tool – Some details



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	STOP		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content			XML
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64														
65														
66	RESET													
67														
71														
72														

1 | 3 Click

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following content:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	RUN		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML
2			<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <digitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/si" schemaVersion="3.0.0"> dcc:administrativeData dcc:measurementResults dcc:comment dcc:document </dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>											
34	RESET													

Annotations in the image:

- A callout box at row 2, column A says "3 | 3 Worksheet deactivated."
- A callout box at row 34, column B says "2 | 3 The reset worksheet"

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following content:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	RUN		Mandatory element 1	Optional element 0,1	Opt-Add element 0..n	Additional element 1..n	Choice element 1..n	Choice element 1	Choice element 1..n	Opt-Choice element 1	Place for Content	0		XML
2			<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <digitalCalibrationCertificate xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/dcc https://ptb.de/dcc/v3.0.0/dcc.xsd" xmlns:dcc="https://ptb.de/dcc" xsi:schemaLocation="https://ptb.de/si" schemaVersion="3.0.0"> dcc:administrativeData dcc:measurementResults dcc:comment dcc:document </dcc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>											
34	RESET													

Annotations in the image:

- A callout box at row 2, column A says "1 | 4 Click"

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with a dialog box titled "DCC insert all mandatory elements?". The dialog asks "Should all mandatory elements be inserted?" and has "Yes" and "No" buttons. A callout box with an orange border points to the dialog and contains the text "2 | 4 Mandatory elements? Yes." The spreadsheet background shows XML code for a digital calibration certificate with various elements highlighted in different colors corresponding to the tool's categories.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with a dialog box titled "DCC optional attribute". The dialog asks "Do you want to use the optional attribute 'id' for 'dcc:performanceLocation'?" and has "Yes" and "No" buttons. A callout box with an orange border points to the dialog and contains the text "3 | 4 A few questions to answer." The spreadsheet background shows XML code for a digital calibration certificate with various elements highlighted in different colors.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with the following XML content in the spreadsheet:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<dccadministrativeData>
  <dccSoftware>
    <software>
  </dccSoftware>
  <coreData>
    <countryCodeISO3166_1>
      DATA ddcstringISO3166
    </countryCodeISO3166_1>
    <countryCodeISO3166_1>
      DATA ddcstringISO3166
    </countryCodeISO3166_1>
    <langCodeISO639_1>
      DATA ddcstringISO639_1
    </langCodeISO639_1>
    <mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>
      DATA ddcstringISO639_1
    </mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1>
    <uniqueIdentifier>
      DATA xs:string
    </uniqueIdentifier>
    <identifications>
      <receiptDate>
        DATA xs:date
      </receiptDate>
      <beginPerformanceDate>
        DATA xs:date
      </beginPerformanceDate>
      <endPerformanceDate>
        DATA xs:date
      </endPerformanceDate>
      <performanceLocation id="ID_DATA" refId="ID_DATA" refType="ID_DATA">
        xs:enumeration values="laboratory|customer|laboratoryBranch|customerBranch|other"
      </performanceLocation>
    </coreData>
  </administrativeData>
  <previousReport>

```

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with a confirmation dialog box titled "DCC generation". The dialog box contains the following text:

Do you want to create the digital calibration certificate (xml file)?  
NOTE: There are 7 fields with missing content.

Yes No

The XML content in the spreadsheet is identical to the previous screenshot.

## How to use the tool – Some details



The screenshot shows the DCC tool interface with an XML editor. A dialog box titled "DCC generation" is open, displaying the message "The DCC was created." and an "OK" button. A callout box labeled "3|5 Notification" points to the dialog box. The XML editor shows the following structure:

```

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<!--
  - dccc:administrativeData>
  - dccc:dccSoftware>
    - dccc:software id="softwareID">
      - dccc:name>
        <dccc:content lang="en">Excel</dccc:content>
      </dccc:name>
      <dccc:release>1.2.3</dccc:release>
    </dccc:software>
  </dccc:dccSoftware>
  - dccc:coreData>
    <dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>DATA dccc:stringISO3166</dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
    dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1 dccc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1 dccc:uniqueIdentifier dccc:identifications dccc:receiptDate dccc:beginPerformanceDate dccc:endPerformanceDate
    dccc:performanceLocation dccc:previousReport
  </dccc:coreData>
  dccc:items dccc:calibrationLaboratory dccc:respPersons dccc:customer dccc:statements
  </dccc:administrativeData>
  dccc:measurementResults dccc:comment dccc:document
</dccc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

## How to use the tool – Some details

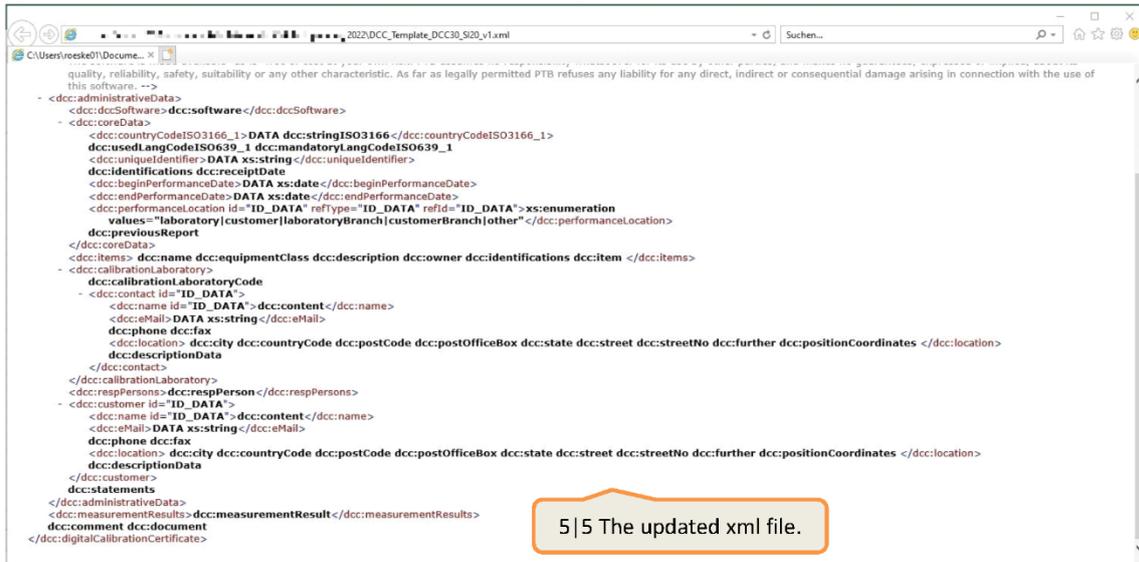


The screenshot shows the XML output file content in a text editor. A callout box labeled "4|5 Still the old xml file, update with F5." points to the XML content. The XML content is as follows:

```

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<!--
  - dccc:administrativeData>
  - dccc:dccSoftware>
    - dccc:software id="softwareID">
      - dccc:name>
        <dccc:content lang="en">Excel</dccc:content>
      </dccc:name>
      <dccc:release>1.2.3</dccc:release>
    </dccc:software>
  </dccc:dccSoftware>
  - dccc:coreData>
    <dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>DATA dccc:stringISO3166</dccc:countryCodeISO3166_1>
    dccc:usedLangCodeISO639_1 dccc:mandatoryLangCodeISO639_1 dccc:uniqueIdentifier dccc:identifications dccc:receiptDate dccc:beginPerformanceDate dccc:endPerformanceDate
    dccc:performanceLocation dccc:previousReport
  </dccc:coreData>
  dccc:items dccc:calibrationLaboratory dccc:respPersons dccc:customer dccc:statements
  </dccc:administrativeData>
  dccc:measurementResults dccc:comment dccc:document
</dccc:digitalCalibrationCertificate>
    
```

## How to use the tool – Some details

```

<!-- 5 | 5 The updated xml file.
    
```

## Summary



### Advantages:

1. The no-code tool allows to focus on the most important questions: the structure of and the data for the XML-DCC.
2. The tool is working with the data in Excel, no import is necessary.
3. No programming effort for generating valid XML is necessary.
4. The work can be interrupted at any time and continued later.
5. The user is guided by the tool and any further functions (series of data, blocks of elements) can be included in later versions.
6. The XML-DCC can be produced for a single type of calibration certificate and be used as template for many calibrations.
7. Minor updates of the XSDs can be implemented easily.

## Summary



## Disadvantages/Limitations:

1. A lot of clicking and question-answering is necessary.
2. Major updates of the XSDs will probably require to make a new version of the tool from scratch.
3. Some elements (#any, external files) are not well supported yet.
4. No validation is included ...

but, 'Keep it smart and simple' means to start with a simple version.  
Further development is possible.

I hope the tool will be useful.

Thank you for your interest  
In this presentation.

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## Session “DCC and Accreditation”

### Digitizing the Scope of Accreditation / Digital Accreditation Information

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#### Abstract

DCC is not only about the certificate of calibration. The Goal is to digitize everything related to the DCC. And the NCSLI Metrology Information & Infrastructure 141 Committee for the past 5 years has been working to create a digital version of a Scope of Accreditation. It has been a huge undertaking with lots of setbacks, but we now have a version 1.0 of the editor ready to present to the industry.

This presentation will cover a brief history of the project with a demo of the current version of the software. We want to encourage the metrology community to use and provide feedback on the editor and tools. Our goal is to work out the details related to the object model and XML file format the present the file format and/or editor to ILAC for review and adoption to digitize the SoA. Soon to be named Digital Accreditation Information DAI.



## Building a Machine Readable Standardized SoA Database

Metrology Information Infrastructure



## Metrology Data Exchange Standards

### The 21<sup>st</sup> Century is here But Metrology isn't measuring up!

While the business world is running on data standards  
the best metrology has is PDFs.

**RIGHT NOW....** The Technology and Infrastructure is available

- Businesses already use the technologies
- They are proven safe & secure
- We just need to use them

So let's create a set of Metrology Data Exchange Standards  
and bring the World of Metrology Together!



## Let's Stop the Madness!



We copy results from our Excel calculations into the Word document we send to the Accreditation body to get back a PDF document.

Accredited Capabilities are 100% disconnected from:

- our original uncertainty calculations, and
- our daily calibration product.

What is needed is a way to tie all this data together!

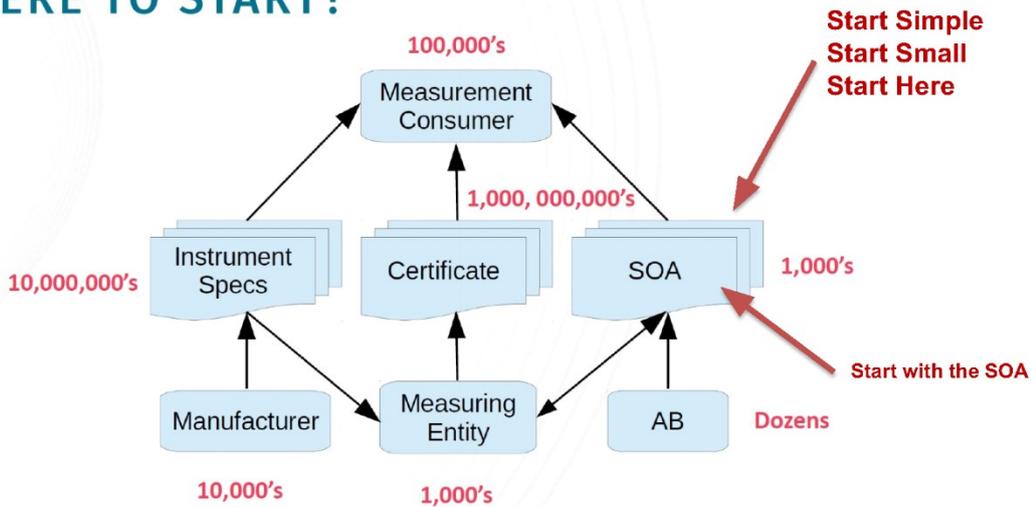
# Unusable / Impractical / Broken Search

“Dry well” Calibration Search  
Using Keywords

This format is  
**Unusable!**

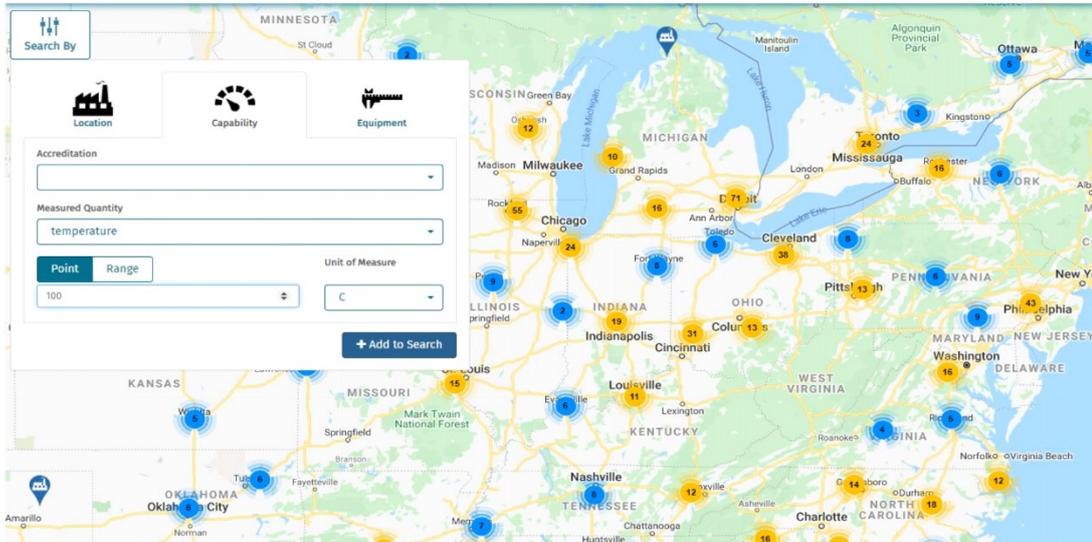
Liquid-In-Glass Thermometers <sup>1</sup>	32 °F  (68 to 662) °F	0.6 °F  0.52 °F	Comparison to digital thermometer in water bath at fixed point (32 °F)  Dry block calibrator
Type J, K, T, E, R, S, C, U, N	32 °F	0.61 °F	Ice bath/precision thermometer CMART 25 calibrator, Fluke 5502A
Type J Type K Type T Type R Type S Type E Type C Type U Type N	(91) °F to (660) °F (91) °F to (660) °F (91) °F to (400) °F (91) °F to (662) °F (91) °F to (662) °F	0.43 °F 0.43 °F 0.43 °F 0.43 °F 0.43 °F	Fluke metrology well CMART 25 calibrator, Fluke 5502A
Indirect Verification of Rockwell Testers	Rockwell and Portable Rockwell	HRA: (60.5 to 69) HRA (70 to 79) HRA (80 to 92) HRA  HRBW: (0 to 59) HRBW	0.42 IIRA 0.41 IIRA 0.29 HRA  1.5 HRBW 0.92 HRBW
			Indirect verification per ASTM E18, E110

## WHERE TO START?



# Qualer Search Proof of Concept

<https://search.qualer.com/>



## Find Specific SoA CMC Calculation

### III. Electrical – DC/Low Frequency

Parameter/Equipment	Range	CMC <sup>2</sup> (±)	Comments
DC Voltage – Generate	(0 to 220) mV (220 to 2.2) V (2.2 to 11) V (11 to 22) V (22 to 220) V (220 to 1000) V	4.2 μV/V + 0.4 μV 2.3 μV/V + 0.7 μV 1.1 μV/V + 2.5 μV 1.1 μV/V + 4 μV 2.2 μV/V + 40 μV 3.2 μV/V + 400 μV	Fluke 5720

Volts =

- 220e-3 to +220e-3
- 2.2 to +2.2
- 11 to +11
- 22 to +22
- 220 to +220
- 1000 to +1000

NOTE: This SOA tells me they can't source voltage below 0 Volts.

\*\* This is not machine readable

# Quantities & Units of Measure

## Units of Measure isn't enough!

- 400 fpm
- 1.7 g
- 22 °
- 101 Nm
- 98.5 %
- 10 V @ 1 kHz

## Units are really about "Scale"

Scale or Count of a Quantity

## We need Quantity Definitions

To Exchange data between systems  
Convert between Scales

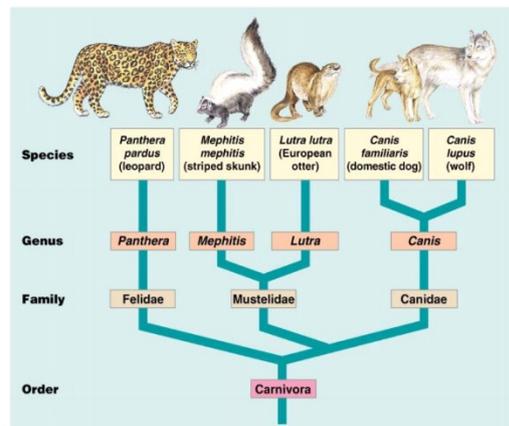


# Metrology Taxonomy

The industry needs to build a Taxonomy of Measurements so we can index, catalog, and easily share measurement related data.

## Category Hierarchy

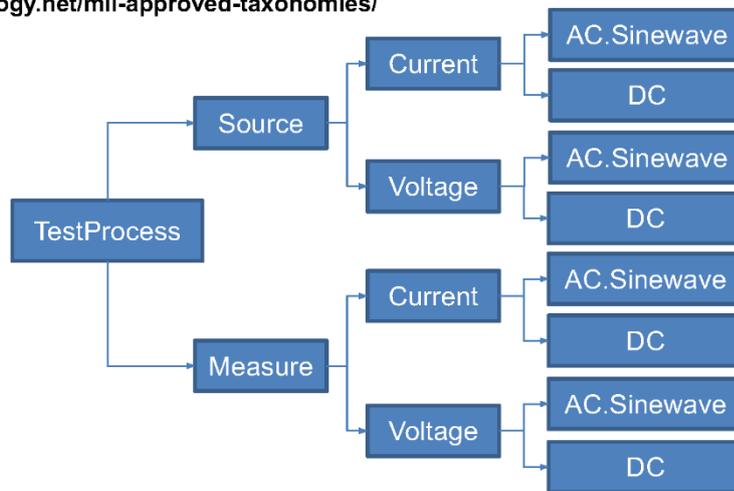
- 1) Source / Measure
- 2) Quantity Measured
- 3) Sub Category
  - Sub Category
  - Sub Category



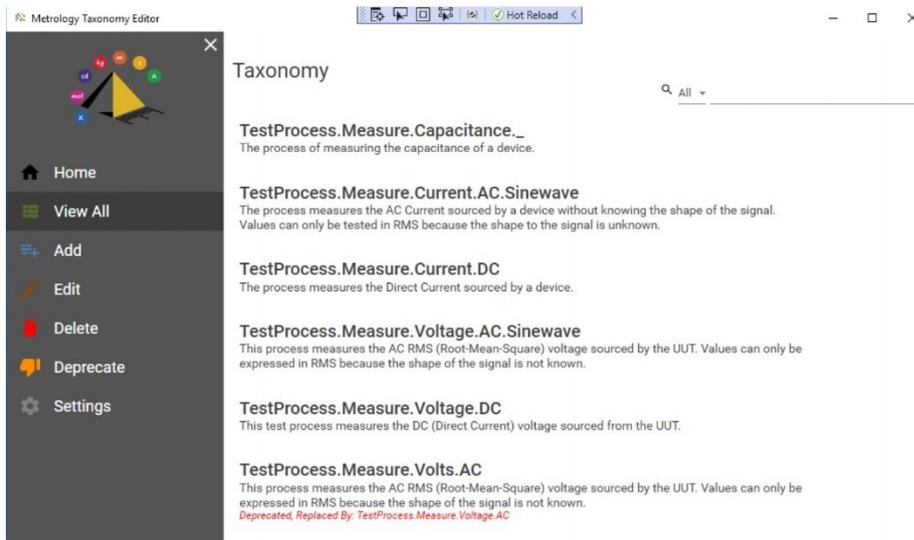
# Building a Metrology Taxonomy

<https://www.metrology.net/mii-approved-taxonomies/>

131 - Taxonomies Approved  
Meet once a week



# Metrology Taxonomy Editor



# Find Specific SoA CMC Calculation

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	(2.2 to 11) V (11 to 22) V (22 to 220) V (220 to 1000) V	1.1 μV/V + 2.5 μV 1.1 μV/V + 4 μV 2.2 μV/V + 40 μV 3.2 μV/V + 400 μV	Source.Voltage.DC w/ Fluke 5720A

Add  
Metrology Taxonomy

Volts = -220e-3 to +220e-3  
-2.2 to +2.2  
-11 to +11  
-22 to +22  
-220 to +220  
-1000 to +1000

Add  
Measurement Technique

NOTE: This SOA tells me they can't source voltage below 0 Volts.

\*\* This is not machine readable

# SoA Editor

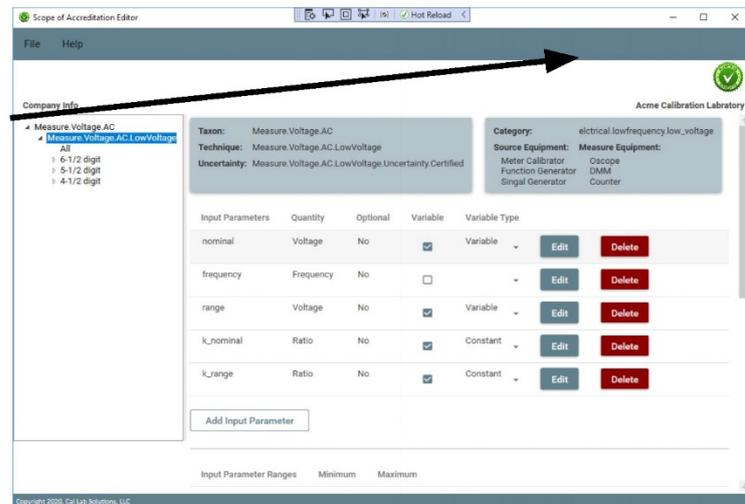
## Editor Features

- Colors are skinned and changeable
- AB Brand able
- AB Logo & Signature
- Supports Multiple Address

Windows Desktop Applications

Open Source Project

.NET 5.0 Unified Platform



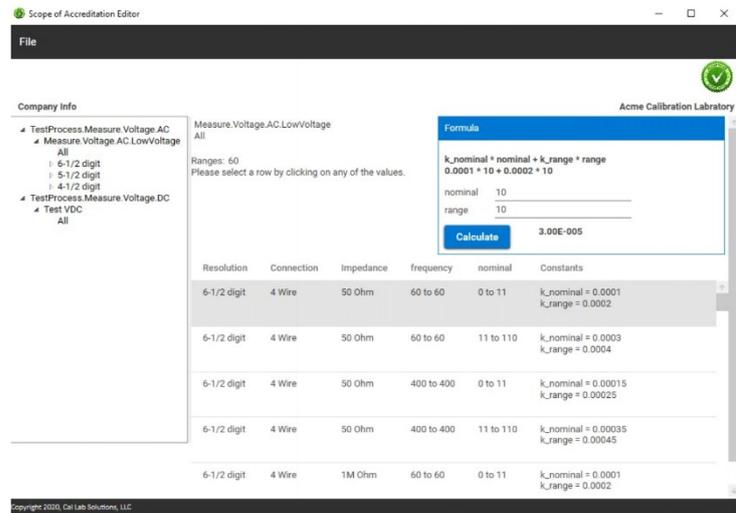
# The SoA Editor that “Does Math”

## Editor Features

- Entry for each CMC Line
- Range & Limits
- Live Calculations
  - Constant Values
  - Parameter Values

Beta Version Ready for Testing  
Q1 - 2022

Sign Up For Beta Release & Testing



# Join the Team Today

Do you have what it takes to  
create a Metrology Standard?

## Moving forward!

- Load some REAL SoA
- Add to the Metrology Taxonomy
- Accreditation Body Branding
- Education & Training for Users



Weekly Meeting -  
Mondays 2:00 pm Mountain Time  
Gotomeeting ID 909-871-373



# Questions



**URLs**

- <https://search.qualer.com>
- <http://miiknowledge.wikidot.com/start>
- [https://github.com/CalLabSolutions/Metrology.NET\\_Public](https://github.com/CalLabSolutions/Metrology.NET_Public)

Call for Papers <https://ncsli.org/page/WS22CP>

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# Fluke 8588A Spec's Digitized

**Creating a Fluke 8588A Spec / SoA  
To a digital format  
2022 - Q1/2**



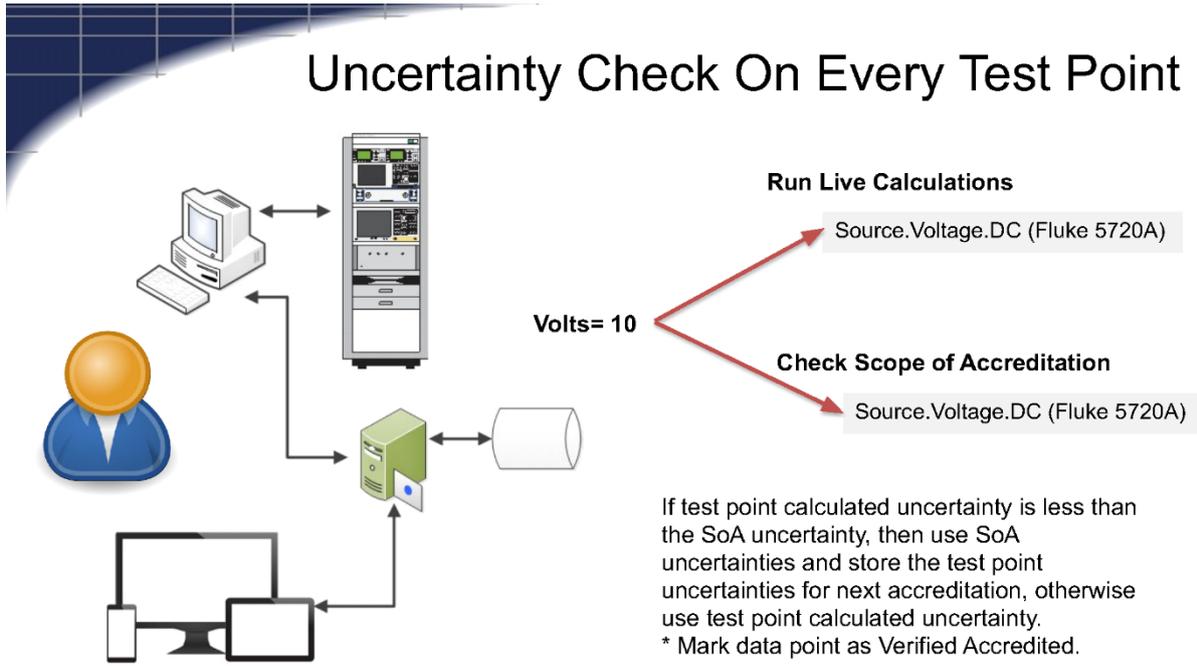
**DC Voltage** <sup>[1][2][3][4]</sup>

DC Voltage maximum resolution is 8 digits

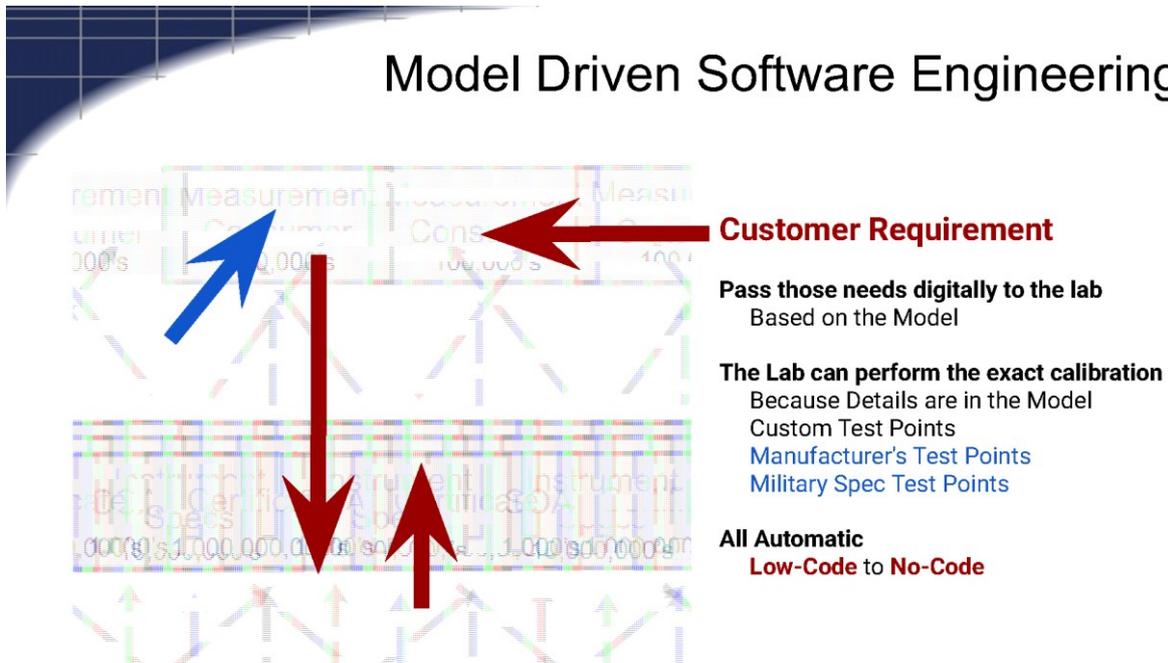
Aperture  $\geq 100 \mu\text{s}$

Range	Zin	Full Scale	Relative Accuracy					Absolute Accuracy			
			$\pm (\mu\text{V/V of reading} + \mu\text{V/V of range})$								
			Transfer, 20 min <sup>[1][2]</sup>	24 Hour Tcal $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$	90 day Tcal $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$	365 day Tcal $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$	2 years Tcal $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$	365 day Tcal $\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$	365 day Tcal $\pm 5^\circ\text{C}$	2 year Tcal $\pm 5^\circ\text{C}$	
100 mV	Auto, 10 M $\Omega$ , 1 M $\Omega$	202 mV	0.2 + 2.0	0.7 + 2.0	1.4 + 2.0	2.7 + 2.0	5.4 + 2.0	5.1 + 2.0	7.5 + 2.0	15 + 2.0	
1 V	Auto, 10 M $\Omega$ , 1 M $\Omega$	2.02 V	0.06 + 0.3	0.5 + 0.3	1.4 + 0.3	2.7 + 0.3	5.4 + 0.3	2.8 + 0.3	4.0 + 0.3	8.1 + 0.3	
10 V	Auto, 10 M $\Omega$ , 1 M $\Omega$	20.2 V	0.05 + 0.05	0.5 + 0.05	1.4 + 0.05	2.7 + 0.05	5.4 + 0.05	2.8 + 0.05	4.0 + 0.05	8.0 + 0.05	
100 V	Auto, 10 M $\Omega$	202 V	0.4 + 0.3	1.0 + 0.3	2.6 + 0.3	4.0 + 0.3	8.0 + 0.3	4.1 + 0.3	6.5 + 0.3	13 + 0.3	
100 V	1 M $\Omega$	202 V	2.0 + 5.0	2.0 + 5.0	4.5 + 5.0	9.0 + 5.0	18 + 5.0	9.0 + 5.0	15 + 5.0	30 + 5.0	
1000 V	Auto, 10 M $\Omega$	1050 V	0.4 + 0.5	1.0 + 0.5	2.6 + 0.5	4.0 + 0.5	8.0 + 0.5	4.3 + 0.5	6.7 + 0.5	13 + 0.5	
1000 V	1 M $\Omega$	1050 V	4.0 + 25	4.0 + 25	4.5 + 25	9.0 + 25	18 + 25	9.1 + 25	15 + 25	30 + 25	

## Uncertainty Check On Every Test Point



## Model Driven Software Engineering



## Embedding the Digital Calibration Certificate

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### Abstract

As national accreditation body DAkkS supports the implementation of the DCC as digital variant of a result report in the specific form of a calibration certificate. Since both, the XML scheme and the methods used for electronic signatures are based on international standards, the integrity of electronic result reports can be ensured. Thus, the DCC can be used worldwide without media breaks or obstructions.

In this lecture, DAkkS will present the technical implementations necessary on the side of the accreditation body in order to apply electronic signatures to result reports such as the DCC. Results reports that meet these requirements might be used in accreditation worldwide.

With the further networking of industrial applications, the DCC is also an important tool, e.g., with regard to Industry 4.0 applications. Working closely together on these developments is thus even more important.

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**- Embedding the Digital Calibration Report (DCC) -**

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## EN ISO/IEC 17025 mentions option of using digital (calibration) reports

Reports can be issued as hard copies or by electronic means, provided that the requirements of this document are met.  
(7.8.1.2, Note 2)

In this context, "documents" can be policy statements, procedures, [...] etc. These can be on various media, such as hard copy or digital.  
(8.3.1, Note)



## Catalogue of requirements to be considered for the implementation of digital calibration reports

### IMPORTANT REMARKS:

- The following points out of **EN ISO/IEC 17025** and its mentioned **requirements** shall give an **overview of different aspects** that a **digital calibration report has to fulfil** in order to be **securely and correctly applied in the digital world** within the normative sense.
- The following **catalogue of requirements** is already covered within the current version of the DCC in combination with the provision of a **digital Seal by DAkks** and can – if the DCC structure and implementation is followed – be applied securely.
- **All calibration reports need to fulfil the same requirements** – no matter if those are on paper or digital
  - The **processes** known out of the **analogue world** shall be only **transferred to the digital world**
  - Regarding the single realization within a laboratory, DAkks is absolutely **neutral** regarding the **technologies used** as long as the requirements can be fulfilled.



3 | DAkks – Embedding the Digital Calibration Report (DCC)

## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (document)

*The results shall be reviewed and authorized prior to release (7.8.1.1).*

- “**Release**” signifies an **embodiment of information** since it implies an **active handover** of a “file” or paper. The customer needs to receive the report **on purpose and bindingly**.
- ✓ → The **DCC fulfils the requirement** since the report can be transferred to the customer as an XML file and can be easily converted into a PDF-file if required.
- A simple implementation of an interface (e.g. via HTML homepage) to the laboratories own database where the **customer has to actively access these data** is **not fulfilling** the requirements.



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## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (document)

- *Each report shall include at least the following information, unless the laboratory has valid reasons for not doing so, thereby minimizing any possibility of misunderstanding or misuse:*
  - [...] b) the name and address of the laboratory (7.8.2.1 lit. b));*
  - [...] o) identification of the person(s) authorizing the report (7.8.2.1 lit. o)).*
    - The report reflects a **clear and binding declaration of intent** since the report is undeniably issued by the laboratory through adding its name and address and mentioning the authorizing person.
    - In the digital world, the requirements can be fulfilled by implementing an undeniable connection that does satisfy the **non-repudiation** and secures the **authenticity of identity** (e.g. through a digital seal by the legal entity [CAB]).
    - The **DCC fulfils the requirement in combination with a digital seal issued by DAkkS**
    - DAkkS enables the fulfilment of the requirement by offering a cryptographic method in the form of this digital seal (undeniably bound to the accredited laboratory)



5 | DAkkS – Embedding the Digital Calibration Report (DCC)

## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (document)

- *[...] unique identification that all its components are recognized as a portion of a complete report and a clear identification of the end (7.8.2.1 lit. d)).*
  - It implies that the report needs to fulfill the closing and covering function as well as the integrity for content
  - The **DCC fulfils the requirement** by its clear structure and **in combination with the digital seal issued by DAkkS**
  - DAkkS enables the fulfilment of the requirement by offering a cryptographic method in the form of this digital seal (undeniably bound to the accredited laboratory)



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## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (document)

- *When an issued report needs to be changed, amended or re-issued, any change of information shall be clearly identified and, where appropriate, the reason for the change included in the report(7.8.8.1).*
- *Amendments to a report after issue shall be made only in the form of a further document, or data transfer, which includes the statement “Amendment to Report, serial number... [or as otherwise identified]”, or an equivalent form of wording (7.8.8.2).*
  - The integrity and identity of the report needs to be secured. In case of changes or amendments, a visible marking as well as a clear reference to the original report is necessary.
  - The DCC fulfils the requirement in combination with the digital seal issued by DAkkS or with digital time stamps



### REMARKS:

- The processes known out of the analogue world shall be transferred to the digital world
- Regarding the single realisation within a laboratory, DAkkS is absolutely neutral regarding the technologies used as long as the requirements can be fulfilled.



7 | DAkkS – Embedding the Digital Calibration Report (DCC)

## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (laboratory)

- The laboratory needs to fulfil the requirements on calibration reports and needs to protect the integrity
- Laboratory is responsible for:
- *The laboratory shall be responsible for all the information provided in the report, except when information is provided by the customer* (7.8.2.2).
  - The laboratory is responsible for all the information within the report, but need to identify those items that are provided by the customer. The laboratory cannot deny this responsibility.
  - Technically, within the digital report the characteristic of non-repudiation is necessary (7.8.2.1 lit. b)). This means that the laboratory needs a clear authentication of identity (of legal entity) connected to the report to protect the integrity.
  - The DCC fulfils this requirement in combination with the digital seal issued by DAkkS
  - DAkkS enables the fulfilment of the requirement by offering a cryptographic method in the form of this digital seal (undeniably bound to the accredited laboratory)



8 | DAkkS – Embedding the Digital Calibration Report (DCC)

## Requirements out of EN ISO/IEC 17025 regarding digital calibration reports (laboratory)

- Laboratory is responsible for:
  - **Protection of the information by using a laboratory information management system that is protected from unauthorized access (7.11.3 lit. a)), safeguarded against tampering [...] (7.11.3 lit. b)) and maintained in a manner that ensures the integrity of the data and information (7.11.3 lit. d))**;
    - To implement a DCC a laboratory needs to have a **robust IT-environment**
    - The DCC as one part of the document management system has to fulfil all these goals as well
    - This means that the IT security goals of **integrity, confidentiality and availability** needs to be secured

NOTE:

Due to the human verification and release function (7.8.1.1/ 7.8.2.1 lit. o)), the (digital) calibration report is always a **proof of evidence within a juridical context** (§ 416 ZPO/ § 371a ZPO) and not merely a so-called "technical record".



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## Accreditation of calibration laboratories

- The accreditation body proves if **all necessary requirements** out of legal provisions and out of standards, especially EN ISO/IEC 17025, and further rules (e.g. (EG) 765/2008; EN ISO/IEC 17011; ILAC-P14; SymbolVO; etc.) **are met** by the laboratory
- **Regarding digital calibration reports (DCC) - DAKKS wants to keep it simple**
  - Legally as well as normatively, the **usage of digital calibration reports is accepted** equally to paper based ones as long as the requirements are met
  - The **DCC fulfils this requirement in combination with the digital seal issued by DAKKS**
  - The assessment process won't change since there is **no difference in the procedure**



REMARKS:

- In order to **enable accredited laboratories** in the implementation of the DCC, DAKKS will establish a system based on **international standards** and the **EU eIDAS regulation** to provide a **digital attribute of ,accreditation'** in form of a **digital seal** (bound to the legal entity) to ultimately secure the protection of **integrity for content and identity**.
- This ensures **worldwide technical compatibility** of the electronic seals for the DCC report. |



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## Accreditation of calibration laboratories



- Available EU - Technical requirements (ETSI)
  - ▶ EN 319 102-1 & TS 119 102-1: Procedures for Creation and Validation of AdES Digital Signatures; Part 1: Creation and Validation
  - ▶ TS 119 102-2: Procedures for Creation and Validation of AdES Digital Signatures; Part 2: Signature Validation Report
  - ▶ TS 119 112: Most significant differences between AdES/ASiC ENs and previous TSs
  - ▶ EN 319 122-1: CAAdES digital signatures; Part 1: Building blocks and CAAdES baseline signatures
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  - ▶ EN 319 142-1: AdES digital signatures; Part 1: Building blocks and PAdES baseline signatures
  - ▶ EN 319 142-2: PAdES digital signatures; Part 2: Additional PAdES signatures profiles
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  - ▶ EN 319 162-1: Associated Signature Containers (ASiC); Part 1: Building blocks and ASiC baseline containers
  - ▶ EN 319 162-2: Associated Signature Containers (ASiC); Part 2: Additional ASiC containers
  - ▶ TS 119 172-1: Signature policies; Part 1: Building blocks and table of contents for human readable signature policy documents
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## Accreditation of calibration laboratories

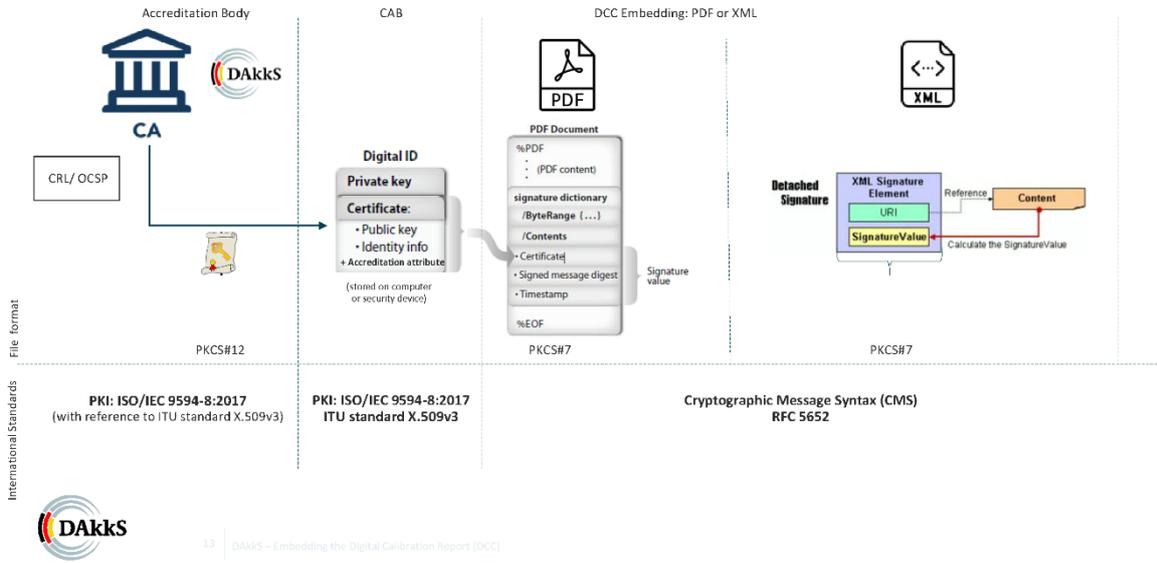


- Available international Technical requirements
  - ▶ ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 27/WG4 CD 27099: PKI - Practices and Policy framework
  - ▶ ISO/IEC TR 14516:2002/ITU-T X.842:2000: Guidelines for the use and management of trusted third party services
  - ▶ ISO/IEC 15945:2002/ITU-T X.843: Specification of TTP services to support the application of digital signatures
  - ▶ ISO/IEC 9594-8:2017 (with reference to ITU standard X.509v3)
  - ▶ RFC 5652 Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)
  - ▶ ISO/IEC TS 29003:2018: Identity proofing
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  - ▶ ISO 17090-4:2014: Health Informatics - Part 4: Digital Signatures for healthcare documents
  - ▶ ISO 17090-5: 2017: Health Informatics - Part 5: Authentication using Healthcare PKI credentials
  - ▶ ISO/IEC 9594-8, ITU-T X.509: The Directory: Public-key and attribute certificate frameworks
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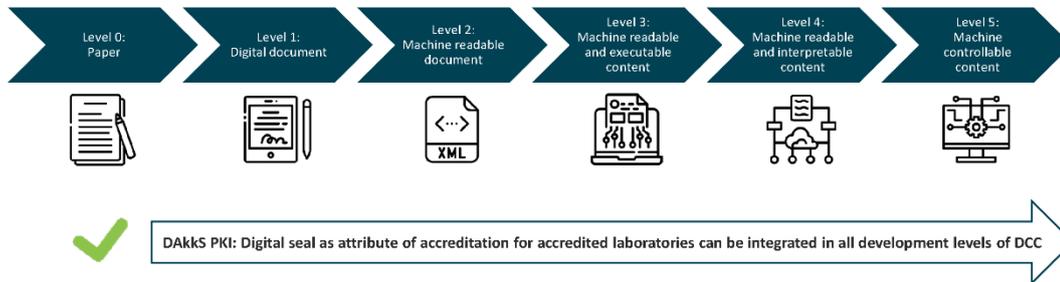
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### DAKKS PKI (simple Illustration)



## Implementation of DAKKS PKI and digital seal to enable DCC rollout in accredited laboratories

### Steps of digitalisation – The Utility-Model



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## Session “DCC Syntax 4.0”

### The DCC SchemaX / DX

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#### Abstract

Through the results of the upcoming second international DCC conference as well as through further digitisation considerations, the DCC schema is being further adapted to the needs of the international community. It can be seen that the digitisation considerations listed in another lecture in direct and indirect connection with the DCC on the development of a uniform schema for these digitised items seems to make sense.

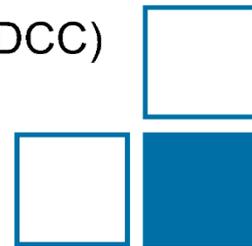
The structure and advantages / synergy effects of this common schema are shown and discussed. We have given this schema the abbreviation "DX" (Digital SchemaX). For example, the Digital Calibration Request (DCR) can transmit the requirements to the calibration laboratory in the same schema without the need for a transformation into another language world. Another example is shown in the area of transmitting medically relevant data in connection with accident events (Digital Accident Report - D-AR).

## Digital SchemaX (DX)

Modularisation of the

Digital Calibration Certificate (DCC)

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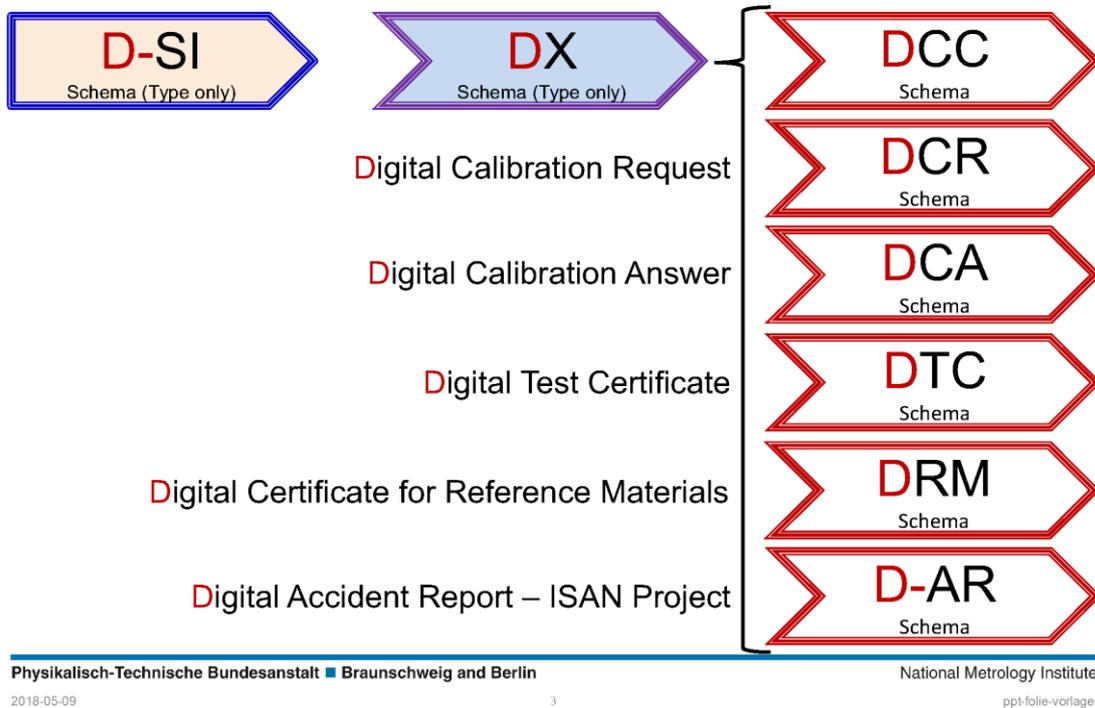
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### Advantages of Modularisation

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- Better reading comfort of the DCC
  - Better understanding
  - Avoid mistakes
- Allows inheritance
  - Not only the DCC profits from the DX:
    - D-AR (Digital Accident Report – ISAN Project)
    - DCR (Digital Calibration Request)
    - DCA (Digital Calibration Answer)
    - DTC (Digital Test Certificate)
    - DRM (Digital Certificate for Reference Materials)
    - EDC (Envelope Digital Certificate)
    - ...

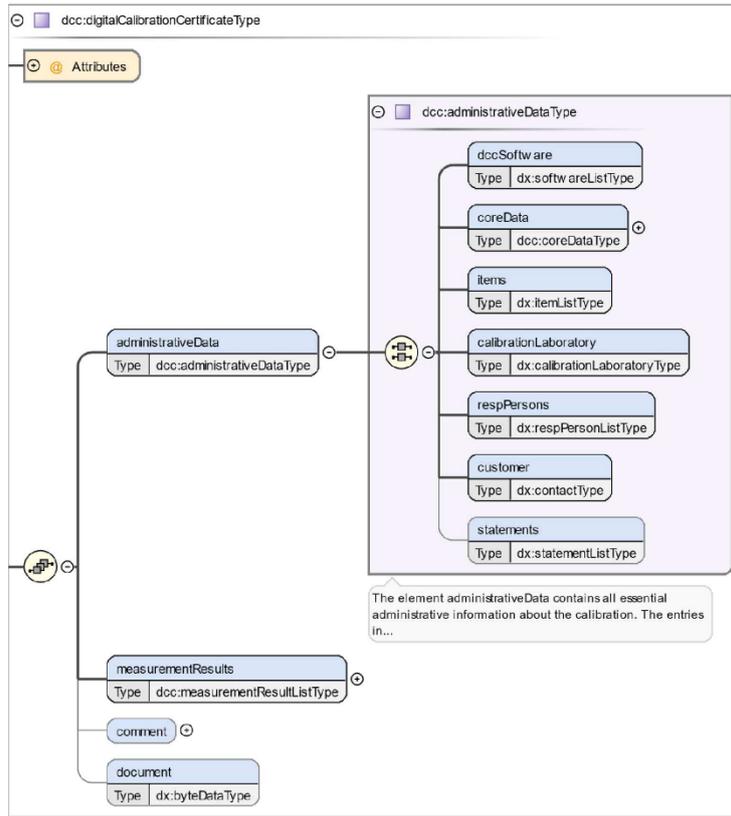
## PTB Advantages of Modularisation



## DCC 4.0 and DX

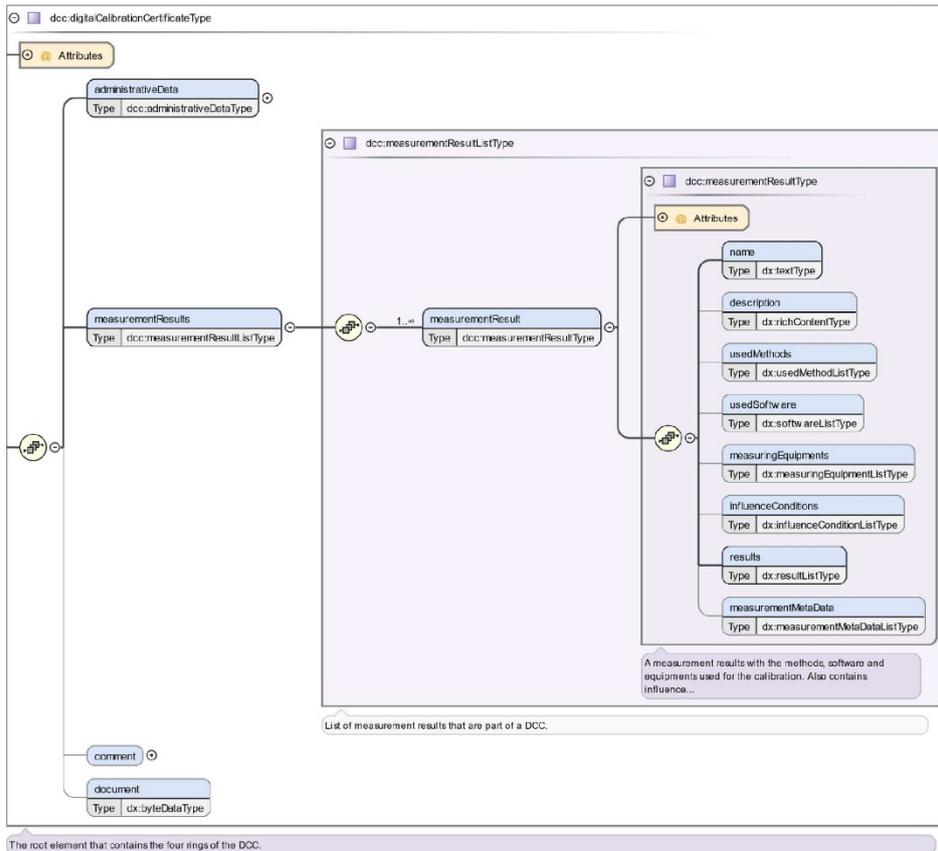


- DCC
  - Contains tree structures and related elements
  - Refers to DX
- DX
  - Contains types only
  - Doesn't have a tree structure, every type is independent



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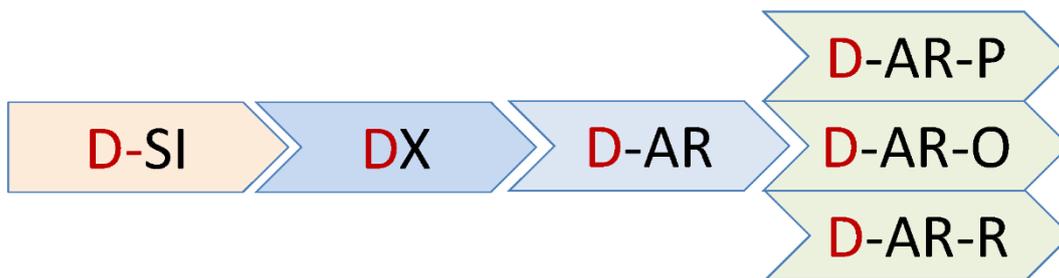
The root element that contains the four rings of the DCC.



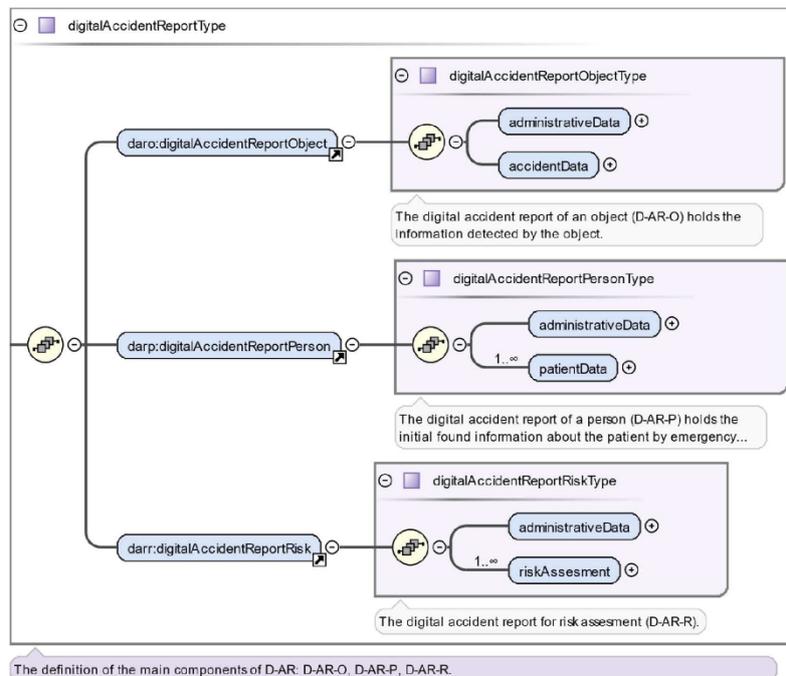
## PTB D-AR example

What is D-AR?

- Part of the ISAN Project in cooperation with TU Braunschweig / MHH
- Digital Accident Report
  - D-AR-P => for the Person
  - D-AR-O => for the Object
  - D-AR-R => for the Risk



## PTB D-AR example



 **D-AR example**

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- D-AR-O contains the physical sensor datas of the object
  - Similar to the Digital Calibration Certificate it contains:
    - measurementResults
    - measurementUncertainties
    - Informations about the sensor devices

=> Perfect candidate for DX

Thank you  
for your attention!

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## Digital Calibration Request (DCR), Digital Calibration Answer (DCA), Digital Test Certificate (DTC) and the Digital Certificate for Reference Materials (DRM)

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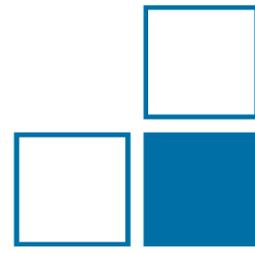
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### Abstract

The digitisation considerations directly related to the DCC are the subject of this presentation. The necessity of the Digital Calibration Request (DCR) and Digital Calibration Answer (DCA) was already discussed at the first international DCC conference. During the discussion with the international community, two further areas of application were added: the Digital Test Certificate (DTC) and the Digital Certificate for Reference Materials (DRM). Since these reports are also based on the ISO / IEC 17025 standard, it makes sense to use the Digital SchemaX (DX) presented in another lecture. First developments will be presented, and a call will be made to the international community to continue working together on these topics.

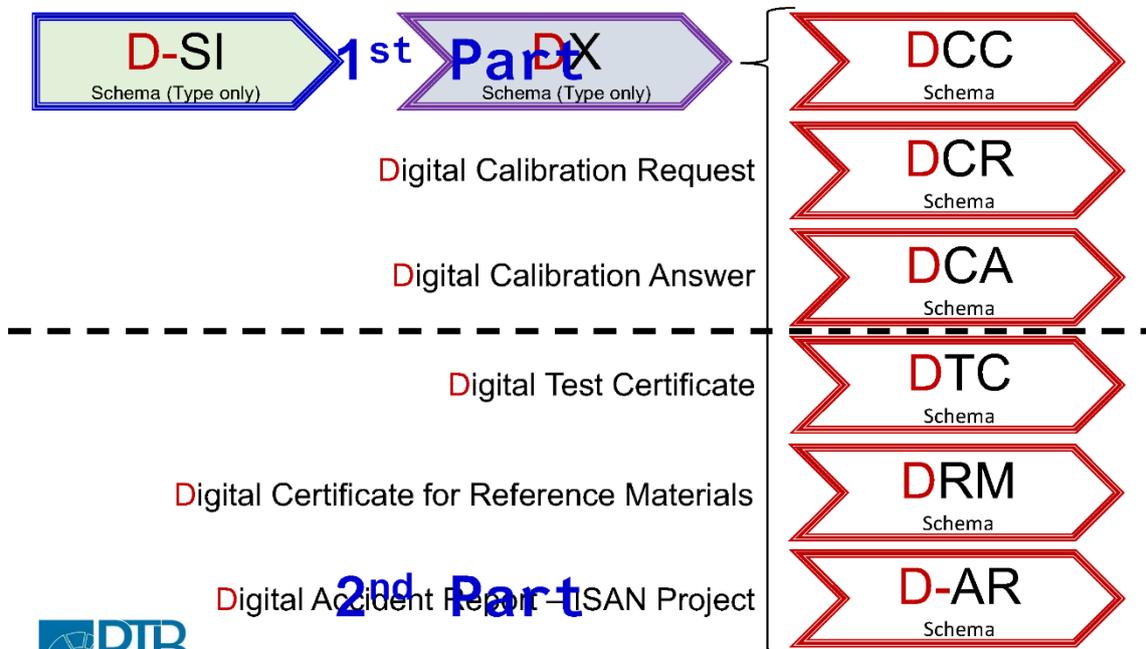
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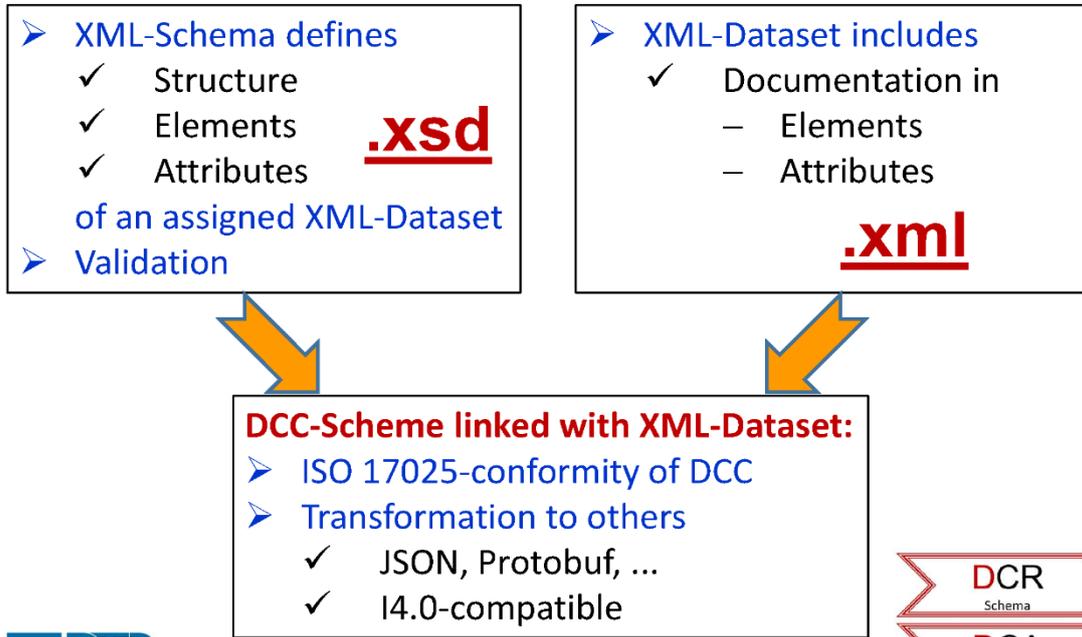
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  - ✓ Beamex
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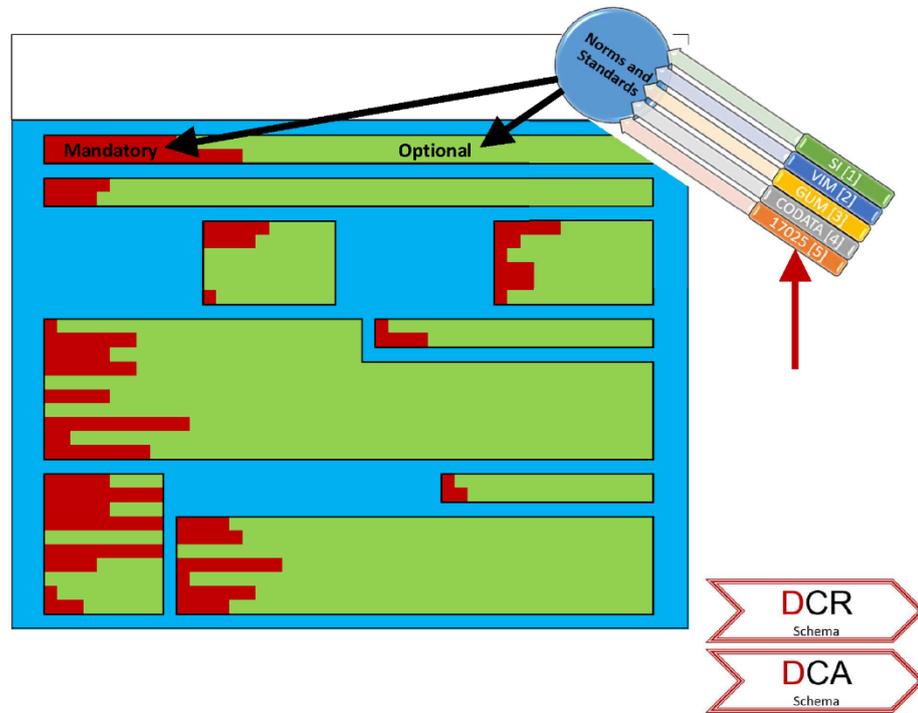
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## XML-Scheme & XML-Dataset



## A comparison with a stencil



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## A comparison with a stencil

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DCA Schema

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Information outside the range

Missing mandatory information

DCR Schema

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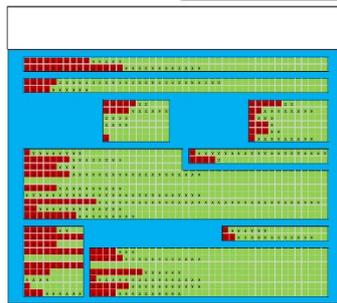
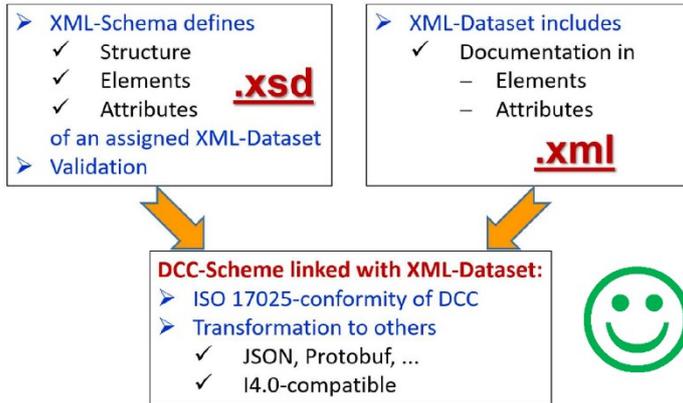
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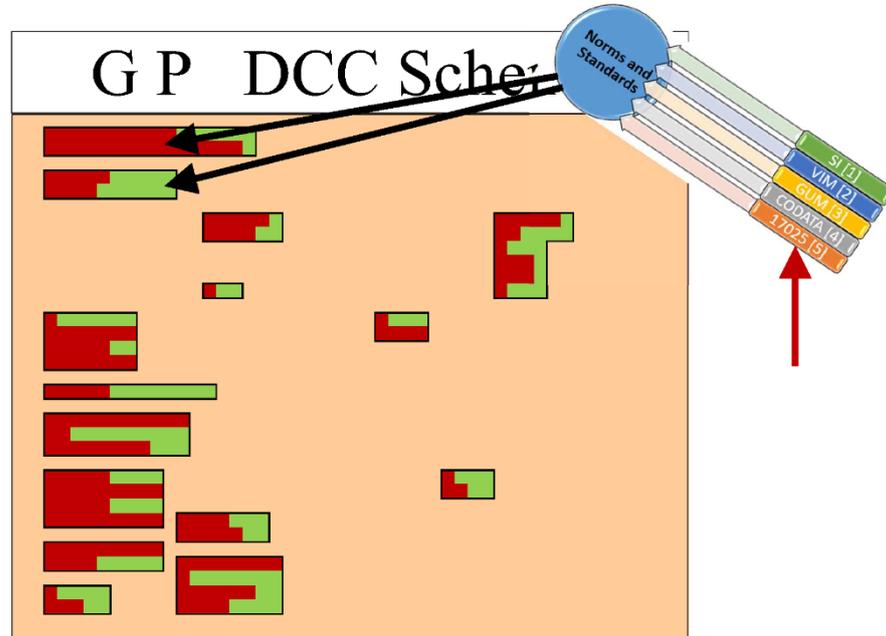
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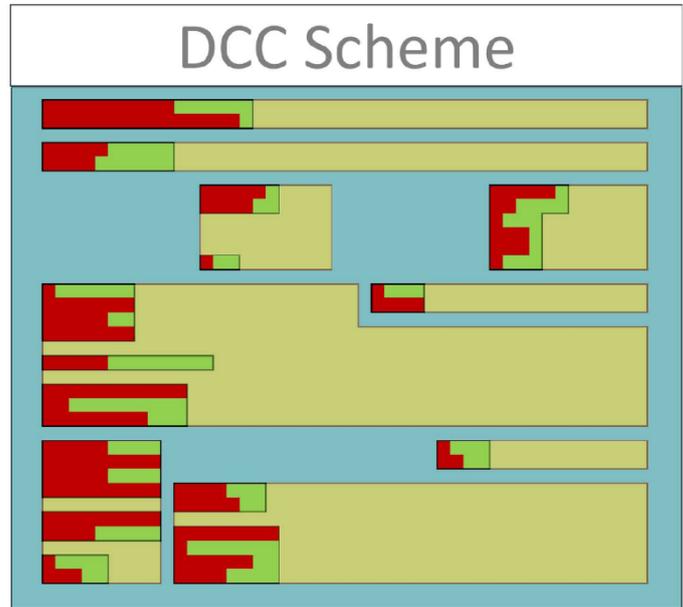
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## Evaluate a Good Practice DCC Scheme



# Compatibility Check



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Part

Digital Test Certificate

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Schema

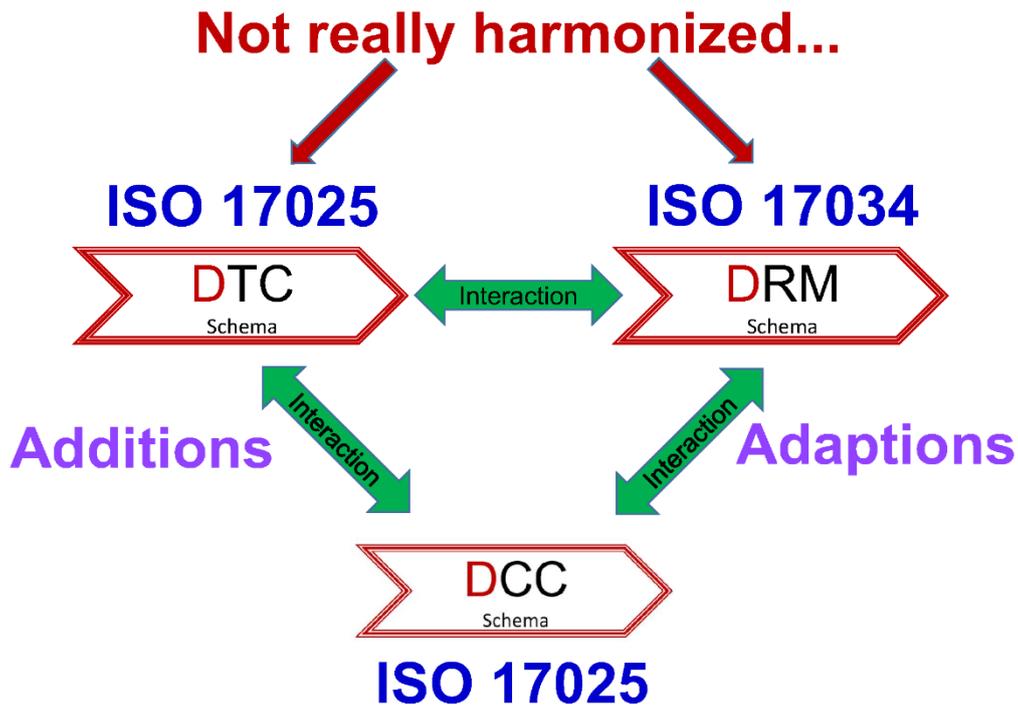
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**ISO 17034**

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Standard Reference Material<sup>®</sup> 2454a  
Hydrogen in Titanium Alloy  
(Nominal Mass Fraction 2.15 mg/kg H)  
(gas form)

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

**Purpose:** This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is a standard, 6% w/w titanium alloy intended primarily for use in calibrating, checking and validating methods for the determination of hydrogen in titanium and its alloys. It can be used in various color arrangements of its homogeneous material.

**Realization:** A set of SRM 2454a consists of one batch consisting 10g of gas having an approximate mass per gram of 1.0g and approximate dimensions of 2.5 mm diameter and 4.5 mm height per gram.

**Certified Value:** The certified value is the stated mass fraction of the element hydrogen in titanium for all batches of SRM 2454a. A certified value in this context has no uncertainty. The certified value is statistically traceable to the SI unit of mass of one kilogram, expressed in milligrams per kilogram. The degree of uncertainty is determined by the use of 10% coverage using a Monte Carlo method (see SRM 2454a user comment with the SRM 2454a Guide [1-4]), and it expresses contributions from all recognized sources of uncertainty.

Table 1. Certified Mass Fraction Values for SRM 2454a Hydrogen in Titanium Alloy

Constituent	Mass Fraction (mg/kg)	95% Coverage Interval (mg/kg)
Hydrogen (H)	21.5	207.5 to 232.4

**Period of Validity:** The certification of SRM 2454a is valid, unless the measurement uncertainty specified, until 31 June 2020, provided the SRM is handled and stored in accordance with the instructions given in this certificate. The certificate is certified for 10 years (unlimited, unexpired, or otherwise modified).

**Maintenance of Certified Values:** NIST will maintain this SRM to the end of the period of validity. If customer or national design users are affected by the certification before the expiration of this certificate, NIST will notify the purchaser. Registration (see attached sheet or register online) will facilitate notification.

Date of Issue:  
10 December 2019

**Zertifiziertes Kalibriergas**

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Kalibriergas gemäß PTB-Zertifizierung PTB 11 10  
Mischgas (in Stahlflasche, Argon/Füllgas für Fluorierungszwecke)

Quantität/Verpackungseinheit: 100g  
Brennwert (DIN 51751): 19,1 kJ/m³ (Niedrigdruck)

Parameter	Wert/Unsicherheit	Maßeinheit
Erweichungspunkt	6,346	°C
Siedepunkt	6,346	°C
Druck	0,101325	bar

**Zusätzliche Angaben:**  
1) Bei Druckveränderungen:  $p_{\text{neu}} = p_{\text{alt}} \cdot \frac{p_{\text{alt}}}{p_{\text{neu}}}$   
2) Argon ist in einem separaten Behälter abgefüllt (siehe Anhang 1-3)

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## DCC Envelope

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### Abstract

In addition to the already known advantages, digitalisation in the field of calibration has the advantage that work processes can be optimised both at the customer's and in the calibration laboratory by splitting the calibrations into sensible sub-areas (keyword: keep it smart). Examples of this are the calibrations of multimeter, pieces of mass or gauge blocks. Different recalibration intervals are also conceivable, which further optimises the effort for recalibrations.

The overall result is typically presented in several DCCs. These DCCs can be combined into a DCC envelope (workbook) and passed on to the client in a single, logically coherent file.

With this technology, it is also possible to connect other logically related digital certificates of any kind.

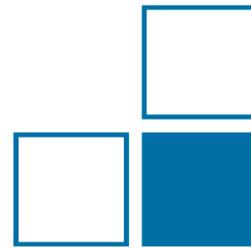
The DCC Envelope technology is presented using the example of a mass set.

# Envelope

## Grouping of the Digital Certificates as Envelope

### 2<sup>nd</sup> International DCC Conference

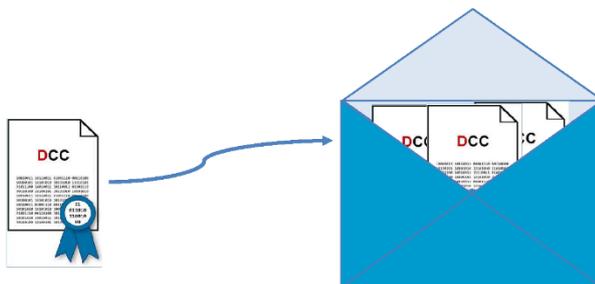
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## Why do we need Envelope?



- „Keep it simple“
  - Every calibrated item has its own certificate



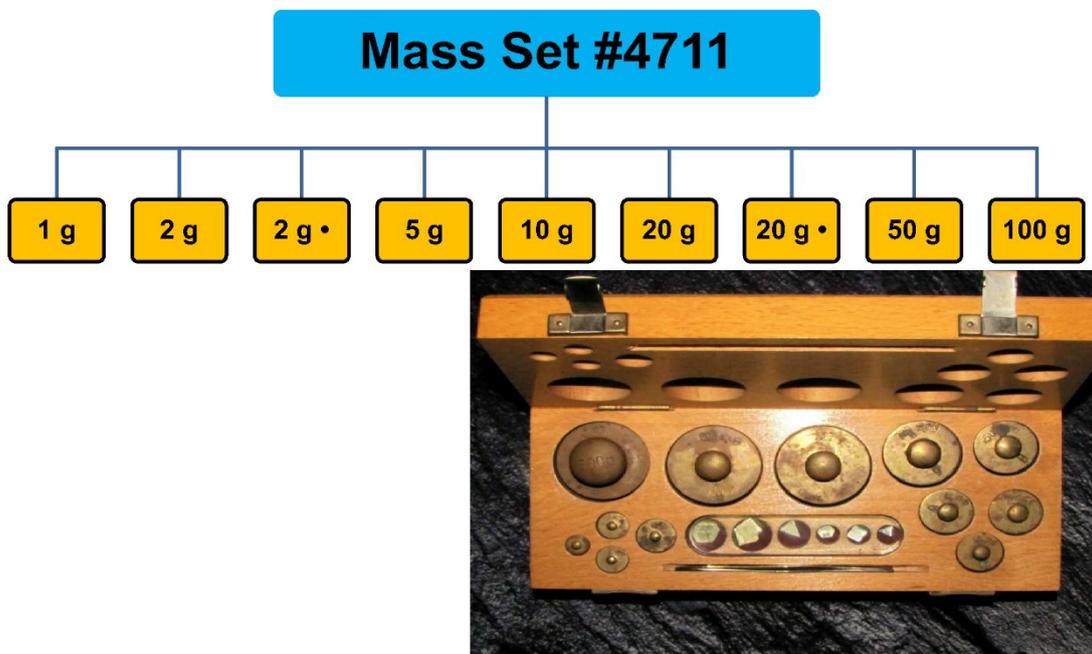
## In which areas can envelope be used?



- Mass piece,
- Multimeters,
- Gauge blocks,
- etc..

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## Mass Set



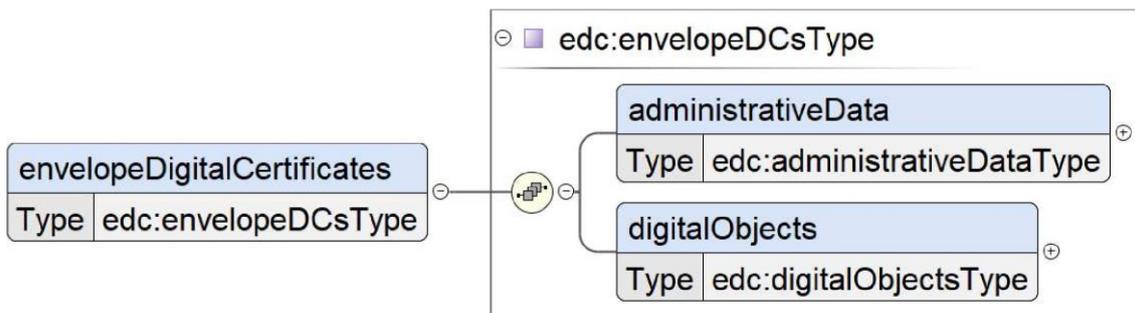
## Advantages of Using an Envelope



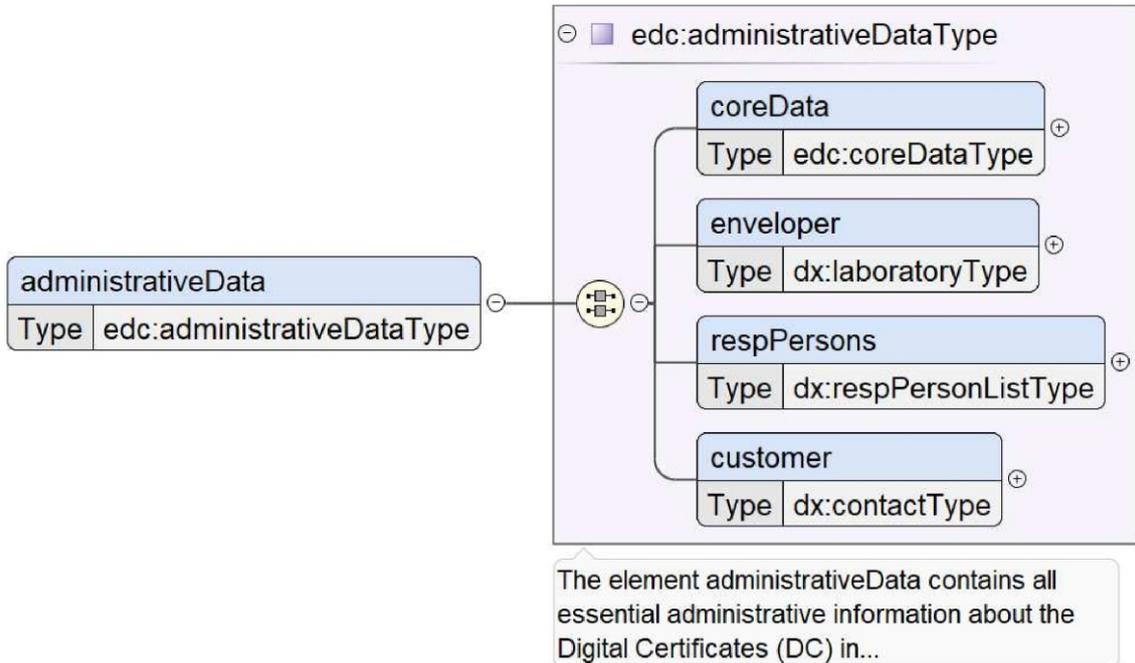
- Optimization of the process for the industry
- Less work
- Future-proof

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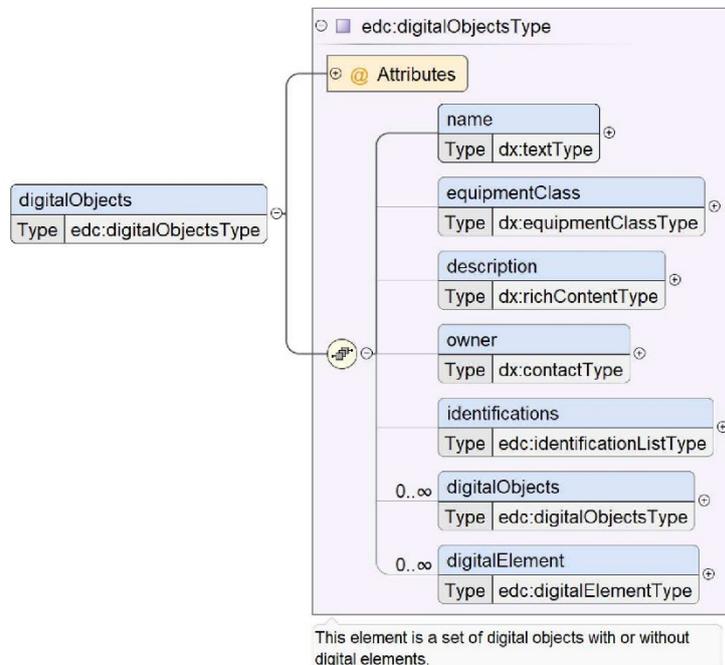
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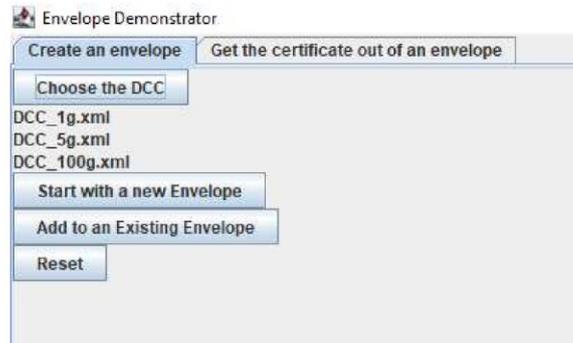
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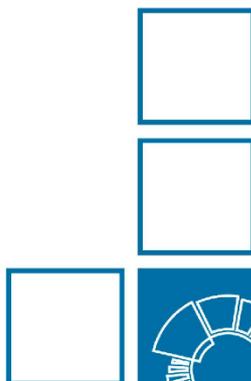
## dc-envelope.xsd: digitalObjects



## Demonstrator: envelopeTool



**Thank you very much  
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## Session “IT-Security”

### Metrological Digital Transformation and Cyber Security Protection of Documents in Saudi Arabia

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#### Abstract

While calibration is a process used to maintain the accuracy of a measurement device, a calibration certificate is a document that contains information about the device's calibration, and its ownership. Since this information is important and private, it should enjoy integrity and confidentiality throughout its processing and use. With the continuation of the world-wide digital transformation, the calibration process and its certificate will be handled electronically via the cyberspace, and this requires various general and special cybersecurity protection controls to be put into practical use.

The proposed presentation is concerned with the current advances of Saudi Arabia in providing protected digital transformation in general, and in giving protected digital metrological transformation in particular. The general digital transformation provides the essential controls for all activities in the cyberspace; while the particular digital metrological transformation emphasizes additional specific controls for the metrological activities include digital calibration. Saudi Arabia has its own National Cybersecurity Authority (NCA) responsible for the general level controls, and the country ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> at the world level in the latest publication of the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

Regarding the specific level of metrology, Saudi Arabia Standards Organization (SASO) has its own National Measurements and Calibration Centre (NMCC), which has 30 laboratories concerned with a wide range of measurement and calibration activities in various fields, in addition to having its own computing cloud. These activities are, so far, partly digital providing digital calibration certificates (DCC). In doing so, various secure digital actions are involved, considering the international ISO 17025 general requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.

The targeted presentation will provide details of the above, hoping to draw a clear picture of the current advances of Saudi Arabia in giving well protected digital calibration certificates.



# NATIONAL METROLOGY INSTITUTE



## The 2nd International DCC-Conference

### DDC: Digital Calibration Certificate

2022 March 1- 3

Chosen Conference Topic:

Current Advances of the Digital Calibration Certificate



Presentation Title

**Metrological Digital  
Transformation and Cyber  
Security Protection of  
Documents in Saudi Arabia**





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**Agenda**

- 1- Digital transformation How and why NMCC?
- 2- Digital Transformation Strategy for the Quality Infrastructure System SASO/NMCC
- 3 - Cybersecurity and Digital Transformation of Metrology Documents DCC





## Presentation question and problem



The lesson is not the abundance of resources around you, the lesson is its usefulness when you need it

**Q1 / What is the Goal of transformation?**

**Q2 / What is the business model?**

**Q3 / Why does NMCC need to change and digital transformation?**

**Q&A / If you could see the future of digital metrology... what would you do?**



# Digital transformation of NMCC's Journey

## Brief





## National Digital Transformation

The interest of the Saudi government in the digital economy, new technologies, industrial development and safe digital metrology services

- The SASO / NMCC has taken a decision to digitally transform metrology certificates and apply cybersecurity techniques to protect them and provide secure digital services
- Focusing on the digital transformation of the strategic metrology is one of the objectives and programs of the Kingdom's Vision 2030 as a global national vision

## Presentation Brief of NMCC's Digital Transformation Journey

1. Availability of the National Metrological Cloud (NMCC).
2. Classifying and structuring data and unifying and linking relevant databases.
3. Defining the certificate file containing the data and information sourced from ISO/17025, fixed and variable, that are created when performing calibration in NMCC laboratories.
4. Entering the calibration results calculated automatically with uncertainty into the certificate file in the electronic system as "expert systems".

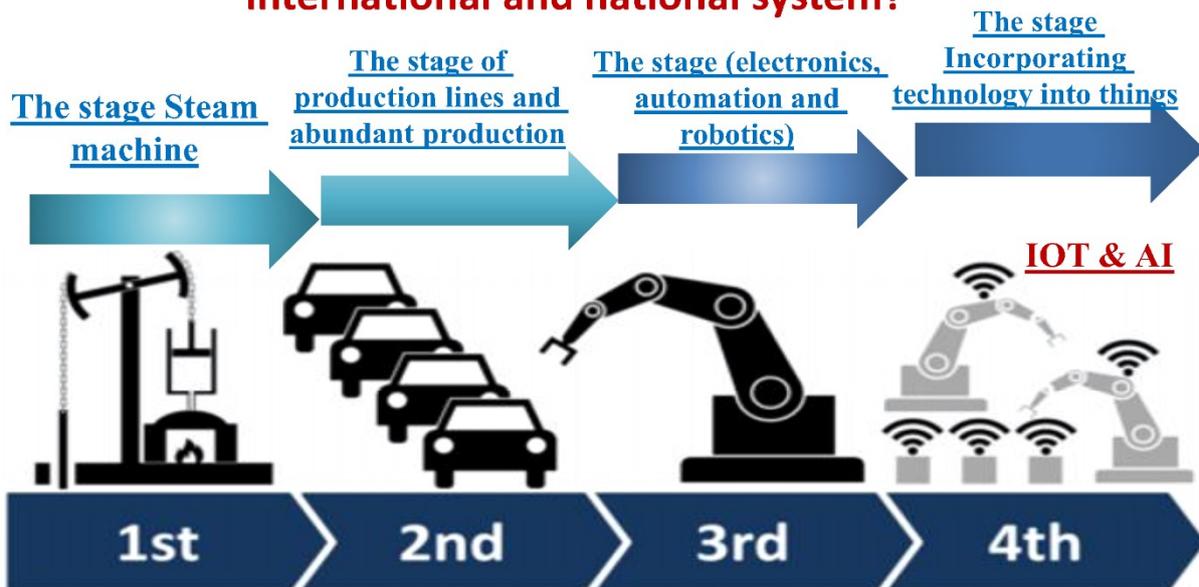


## Presentation Brief of NMCC's Digital Transformation Journey

5. Reviewing the data "DATA Check" to ensure its validity through expert systems and institutional artificial intelligence tools.
6. Authentication and electronic signature of the certificate.
7. Applying the steps of data protection, cyber security, information, encryption and digital certificate control (DCC).
8. Include technical and legal solutions, and send digital certificates to the beneficiary in electronic form



## Where is the global digital transformation and the international and national system?

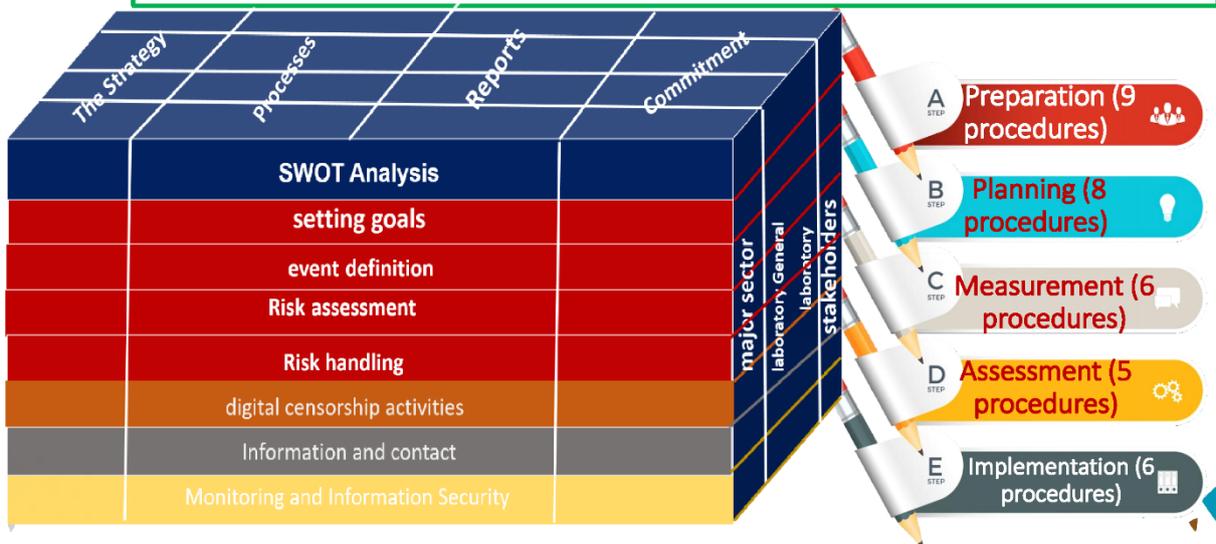




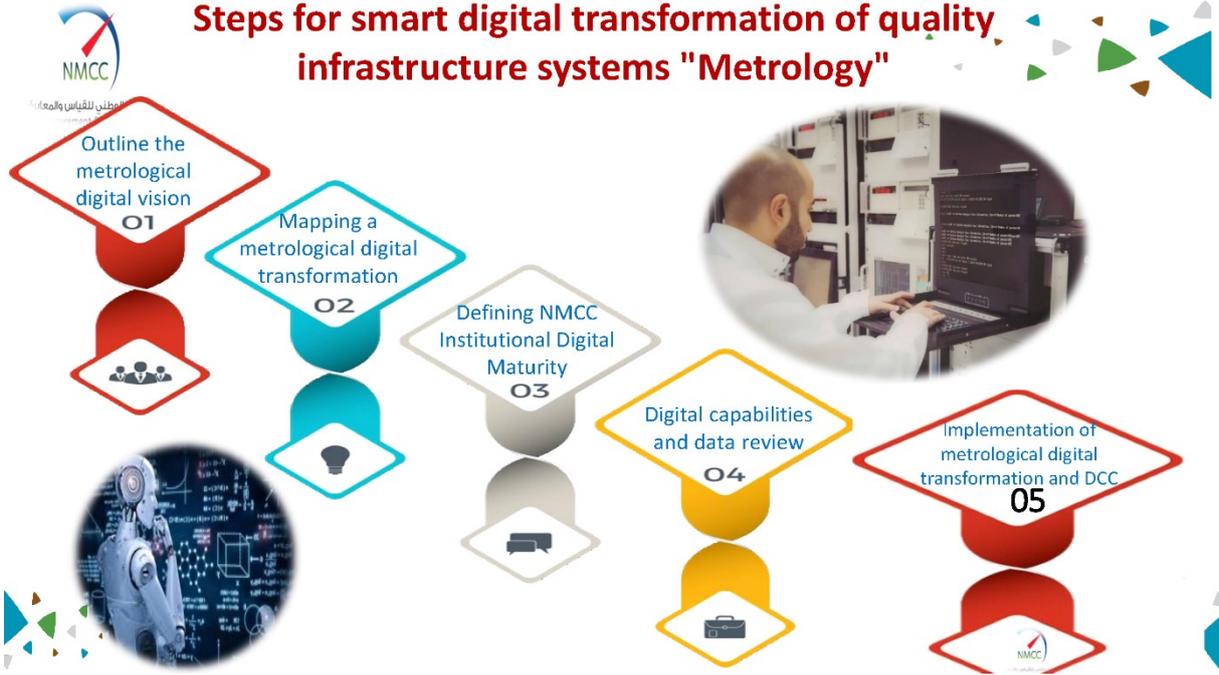
## The digital transformation approach ... and the path to digital leadership in the metrology system



### The digital building blocks of metrological cybersecurity The basic components of cybersecurity controls



## Steps for smart digital transformation of quality infrastructure systems "Metrology"

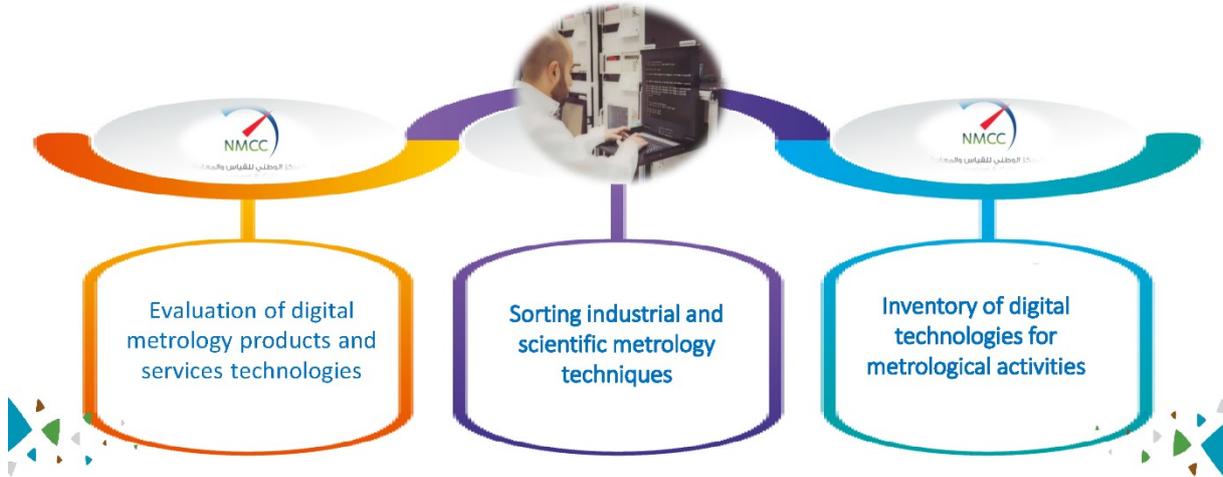
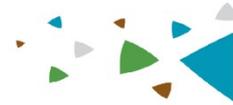


## The foundations of digital transformation in metrology





# Digital Transformation Models and the Metrological Future



## Digital e-services

Portal of the National Center for Measurement and Calibration Service Usage Guide

Enter the following link:

<http://www.saso.gov.sa/en/eservices/pages/details.aspx?serviceid=379>

Access to the service by clicking on the electronic services and then clicking on the NMCC portal as shown in the picture

**Calibration of Measuring Equipment**

**Service description**

It is a service that allows beneficiaries' devices to be calibrated according to international standards to ensure metrological attribution and compliance with the requirements of the international standard ISO/IEC 17025. It includes the following:

- Providing calibration services for reference standards in national calibration laboratories.
- Providing calibration of measuring devices and tools with the highest level of accuracy to various governmental departments and business sectors.
- Providing calibration services for private laboratories standards.
- Provide calibration services for industrial devices in various sectors of industry and quality control / assurance.

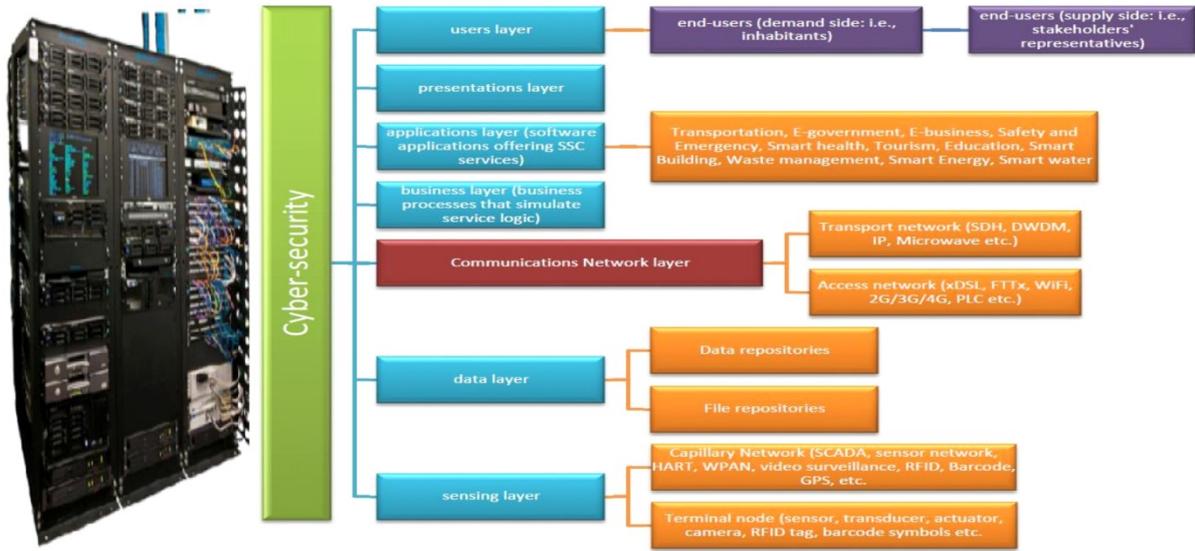
**Target audience**

- Governmental sectors.
- Private sectors.
- Private laboratories.
- Verification and inspection entities.
- Research centers.
- Universities.
- Hospitals.

**E-Service list**

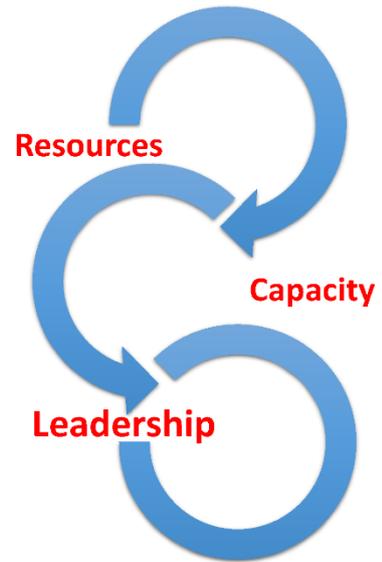
ISO Certificates	<b>Calibration of Measuring Equipment</b>	Sample Testing	General Status Inquiry
Proficiency Testing Programs	Car New Inspection	Modified Cars Inspection	Registered Cars Inquiry
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## Metrological DCC Digital Data Flow and Management Protocol



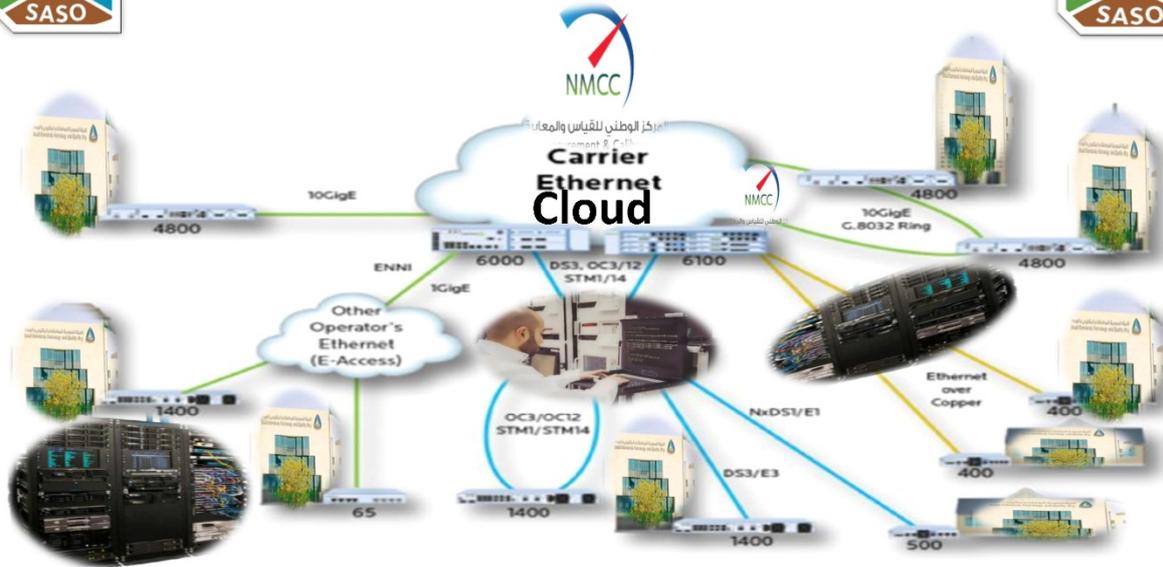
## Closing the digital Gap in the metrology sector

Include technical and legal solutions, and send digital certificates to the beneficiary in electronic form

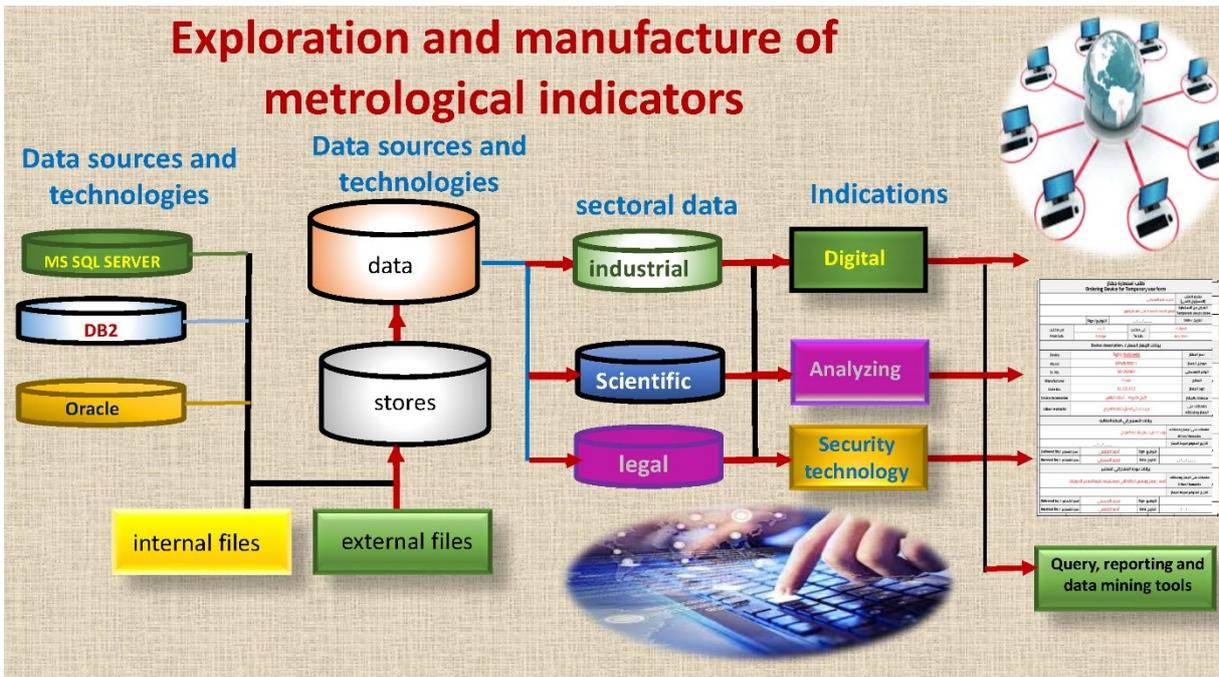




## Managing Digital Transformation Protocol and Data Link Digital Metrology Business Continuity at NMCC



## Exploration and manufacture of metrological indicators





### SASO Digital Achievements

**SASO obtained a free and open source government software license from the Digital Government Authority**

<p>The first place among government agencies in measuring digital transformation for the year 2021 - issued by the Digital Government Authority.</p>	<p>Verify-Sy won the award for the best innovative project that uses smart technologies to serve energy efficiency, from the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States.</p>
<p>Achieving 100% in the Government Digital Services Maturity Index for 2021 - issued by the Digital Government Authority.</p>	<p>Verify-Sy won the award for the best innovative project that uses smart technologies to serve energy efficiency, from the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States.</p>
<p>First place at the level of the government financial and commercial sector in the eighth measure of digital transformation for the year 2019.</p>	<p>Winning the Best Arab Smart Applications Award for the Authorities Sector and Administrative and Regulatory Bodies.</p>
<p><b>Achieving 98% in evaluating government products and services for the SASO website for the year 2021.</b></p>	<p><b>Verify-Sy won the Gulf Customer Experience Award in the category of Best Digital Government Use.</b></p>

## Presentation summary

- Digital development should be considered a global national vision, and it is a decision, not a choice.. an integrated economic and industrial project for a comprehensive and sustainable development for generations.
- It should be based on a comprehensive foundation of human resources, infrastructure, platforms, digital skills, applications and technology in the strategic areas of biometrics and calibration.
- Striving for this economy to be based on the credibility of reliable, fair and comprehensive data in order to provide the possibilities of digital and knowledge transformation for all sectors of metrology and calibration sciences.

**Thank you and appreciate your attendance,  
participation and time**



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## Security in DCC

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### Abstract

Security Aspects in DCC should be considered right from the beginning of the implementation. Therefore, every method of signing and encryption should be taken into account and the best one should be chosen. In my opinion not only hard criteria like international lawful requirements and state of the art cryptography should be taken into account but also the usability of the result. As an example, from our field of software development in mass meteorology an accredited laboratory is calibrating a weight and sends the resulting DCC to the customer. At this point signing this certificate would be enough to ensure the validity. Of course encryption could additionally be chosen but then the customer needs his own key within the cryptosystem. If signing is enough, how can it be ensured that the customer has a possibility to verify the signature? Enabling a cryptosystem isn't enough the customer who might not be part himself also needs a good opportunity to check the signature otherwise it will probably never be checked.

Additionally, it needs to be discussed how laboratories worldwide can get their cryptography key due to the fact only our software is used in over 150 laboratories around the world.

I will discuss this and other questions in my Master Thesis next semester at the Technical University in Kaiserslautern supervised by Prof. Schmitt, the head of our cyber security chair. The goal is to not only find the best solution but also implement a prototype.

I would like to formulate the requirements we have already thought about and ask the auditory for more input we haven't thought about yet, so we can hopefully come up with a prototype of a middleware that fits the requirements of all units until the end of this year.

## Security in DCC Call for Help

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March 3, 2022

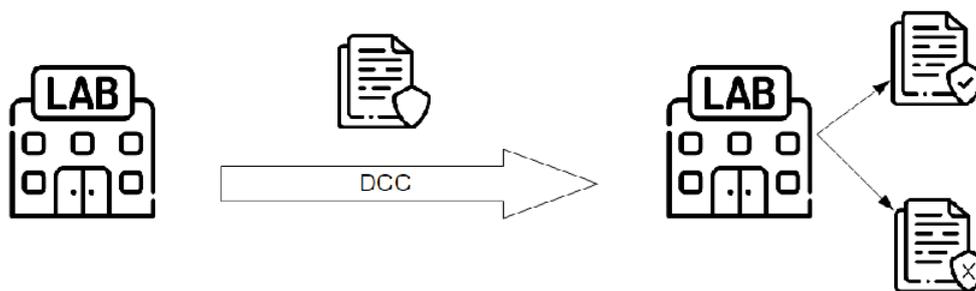
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<h2>Master Thesis</h2>	

- Thesis: determine optimal **structure** for enabling security goals in DCC
  - How can the certificates been provided and checked in a useful manner
  - Determine the edge cases
  - Structural analysis which structure suites the purpose best
    - Always under assumption that cryptography might not be used if the system is to complicated / process to costly (time/ resources)
    - Social engineering aspects
    - → Handling for user must be as easy as possible
- Providing a prototype as a proof of concept
- Must be working world wide

	Goal Control Signature Additional Requirements	Thesis Call for help
	<h1>What's not the goal</h1>	

- Find a specific company that provides the certificates
  - Goal: Building an open structure where different companies can join (e.g. Certificates of Websites)
- Exclude any country/customer by structure
  - Goal: Call for help for specific surrounding conditions
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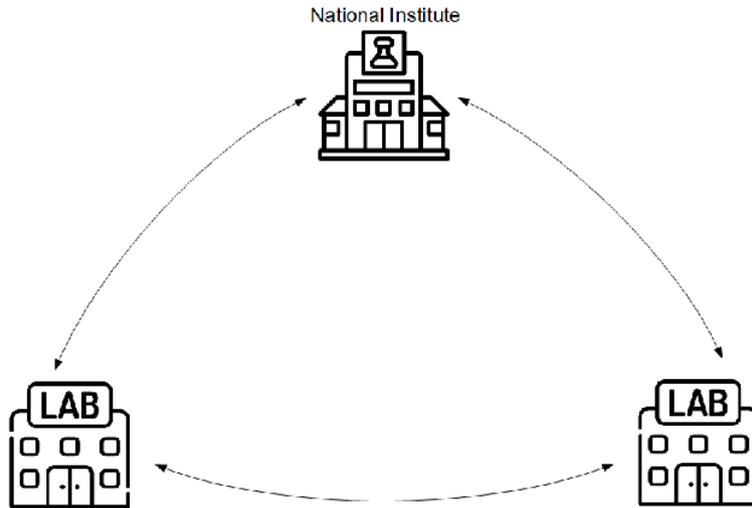
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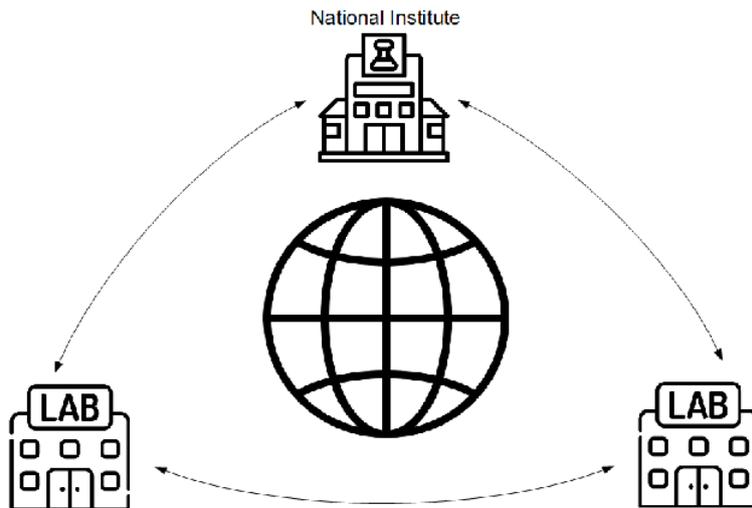
- Controlling signature is included in measurement software
- Check in the background after importing document

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# Signature Network

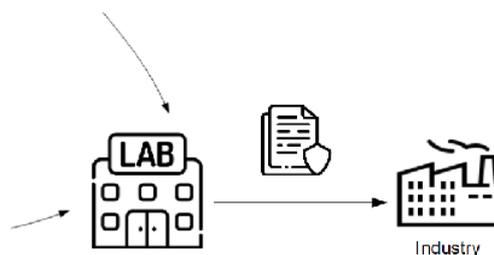


# Signature Network World Wide



## Control Signature

- In case of signatures partners in industry doesn't need to be part of signature network
- How do they check the validity of the signature
- Problem:
  - DCC is usable even without checking the validity
  - Confirming process must be as easy/fast as possible
- What happens in case of no connection to the internet at all



## Additional Requirements

- Enable different signature providers
- Meet legal requirements
- Meet special regulations in all sectors of industry
- Exchangeable cryptographic methods
- Calibration certificates must be stored for certain time period
  - Typically signatures expired after 13 Months ↔ verifying signature during during whole lifetime of DCC should be possible
  - What happens if a cryptography algorithm is broken
- Revoke process

	Goal Control Signature Additional Requirements	Requirements Help
I need your help		

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- Describe your setup
- Describe your "normal" and your "edge case" of using DCC
- Informations about legal requirements are welcome



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# Thank you for your help



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## Technical security system for the signature, secure storage, and export of DCCs

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### Abstract

This abstract presents a technical security system for the signature, secure storage, and export of Digital Calibration Certificates (DCC). DCC records are linked using both signature and transaction counters. Counters, DCC data and timestamps are signed together and thus securely linked. The proposed solution works with any DCC data format and thus with any payload data. However, payload data will not be defined within this abstract.

The proposed solution is a Technical Security System (TSS) in accordance with available Technical Regulations (TR), Protection Profiles (PP) and certifications of German Federal Office for Security in Information Technology. The TSS consists of a security module in accordance with TR-03153, secure storage, and a unified interface according to TR-03151. The Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) is certified in accordance with TR-03145.

The Security Module consists of a Crypto Service Provider (CSP) in accordance with BSI-CC-PP-0111 and a Secure Module Application (SMA) in accordance with BSI-CC-PP-0105. Signed data records can be downloaded in a structured TAR archive file format directly from the TSS or via the apparatus (the device which produces the calibration data).

The TSS can be used on an apparatus with or without data interface. The process of signing data is always performed in the following way:

- startTransaction, updateTransaction, finishTransaction.

The functions 'startTransaction' and 'finishTransaction' are mandatory while 'updateTransaction' can be used as required. In the future, repeated 'updateTransaction' could be used for the signature of continuous measurements.

Although payload data is not defined in this proposal, operating with a payload data structure using 'processType' (definition of the type of data to be signed, for instance 'dccData', 'measurementData' and 'otherData') and 'processData' (definition of the structure of such data) is recommended. Using such a data structure facilitates future upgradeability of the system, for instance, to digitally sign measurement data.

The proposed system includes a web service implementation of the CSP component which is installed at the certified data centre of D-Trust in Berlin, Germany and is accessible via public internet, a SMA implementation, which is installed locally at the premises of the system user, and an online management system which is mainly used for registration, rollout management and billing purposes.

\*Abstract was shortened to one page

# Technical Security System for DCC records

Automatic signature, secure storage and export of DCC

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Objectives of the automatic protection of DCC and other measurement records

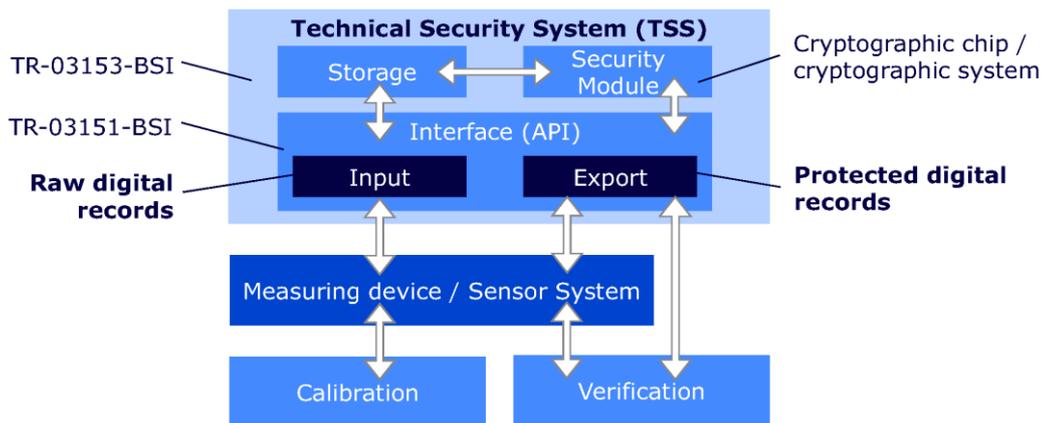
## Objectives of the Presentation

- **Protection of authenticity and integrity of digital records:**
  - Digital Calibration Certificates (DCC)
  - Measurement data
  - Other data
- **Assurance of completeness of digital records:**
  - Concatenation (chaining) of records
- **Automatic protection of data:**
  - Prevention of human interference
  - Provision of an interface for data export and automatic survey

### Digital Signature, Digital Seal and Technical Security System

	Digital Signature	Digital Seal	Technical Security System (TSS)
Legal impact	Expression of will from a <b>natural person</b>	Proof of origin from an <b>institution</b>	Proof of origin and <b>completeness</b> from a <b>system/machine</b>
Security objectives	Integrity and authenticity of a document		Integrity, authenticity and <b>completeness of digital records</b>
Characteristics	Advanced signature Qualified signature	Advanced seal Qualified seal	Specific
Application	Manual	Manual / semi-automatic	<b>Fully automatic</b>
Examples	Contract	Legal decision	Fiscal records of a cash register

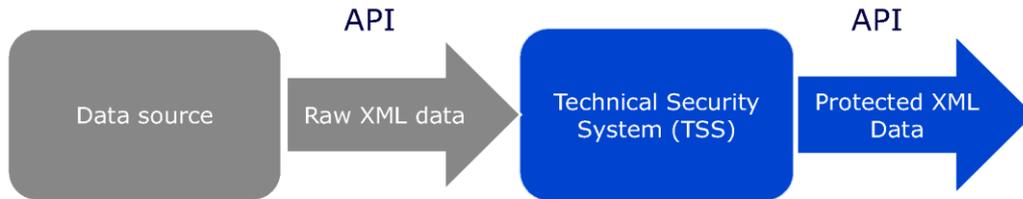
### Technical Security System



Simplified protection process for digital records using a Technical Security System



## Protection Process for Digital Records using a TSS



- **Automatic protection of records** without any human interference
- **Records are concatenated** (chain-linked) for proof of completeness
- **Any data** can be protected

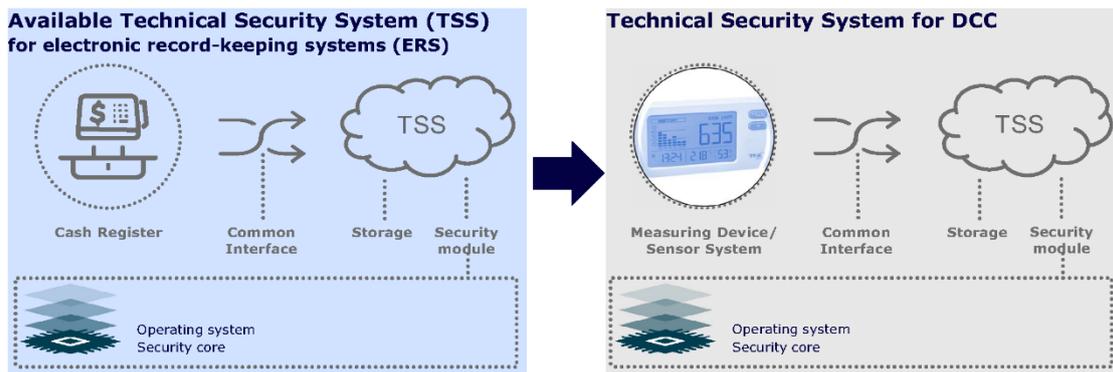
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Short time-to-market due to re-use of existing technology



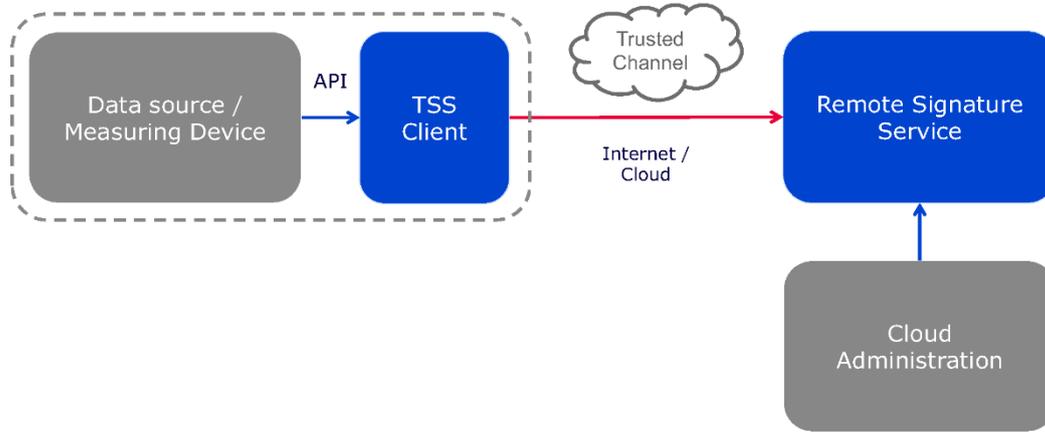
## Re-Use Existing Technology to Protect DCC



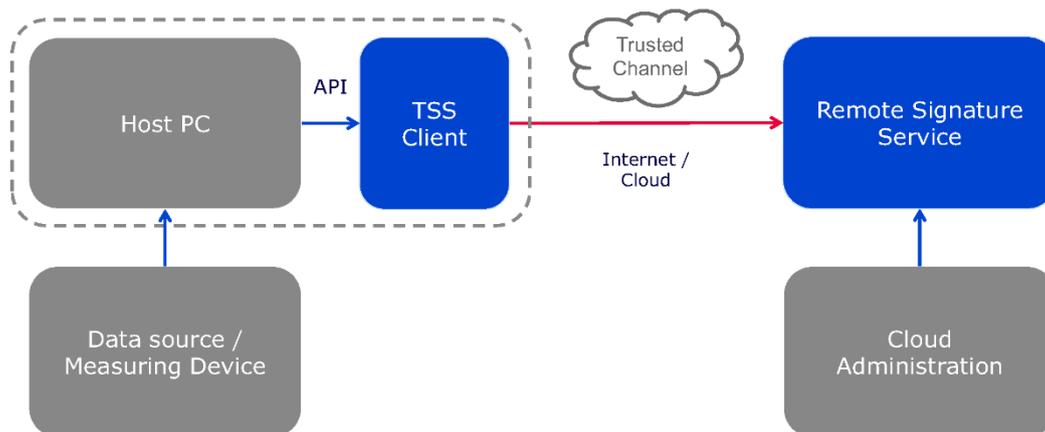
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## System Architecture



## Alternative System Architecture



## Specifications and Certification Scheme of the TSS

Full specification and certification scheme available:

### BSI Technical Regulations (BSI-TR)

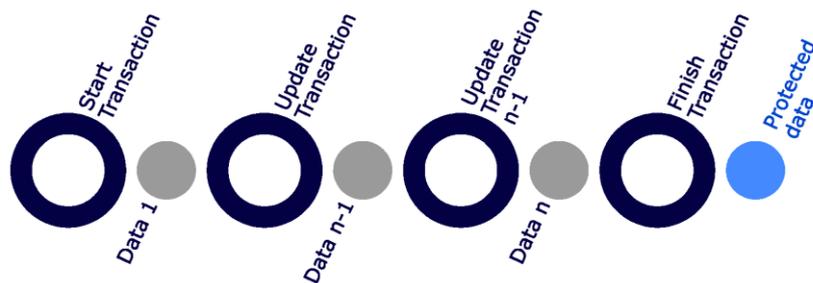
- **Certification scheme for functionality and inter-operability**
- BSI TR-03153 – Technical Security System for Electronic Record-keeping Systems (ERS)
- **BSI TR-03151 – Secure Element API**
- BSI TR-03145 – Secure Certification Authority operation
- BSI TR-03116 – Cryptographic Guidelines

### Common Criteria Protection Profiles (CC-PP)

- **Common Criteria security certifications**
- BSI-CC-PP-0105 – Secure Module Application (SMAERS)
- BSI-CC-PP-0111 – Cryptographic Service Provider (CSPL)

Future use: Protection of (continuous) measurements

## Future: Protection of (continuous) measurements



- One transaction can contain many individual data points
- New data updates the transaction
- Several transactions can be open at the same time
- All transactions are concatenated (chain-linked)
- Protection of continuous long-time measurements possible

**Time-to-market**

- Available system
- Short and easy integration of available API

**Industry-proven technology**

- Large-scale / high performance system already in place

**Flexibility**

- Suitable for any data
- Calibration data / measurement data / real-time continuous measurement data

**Security**

- Specification and certification by BSI
- Regular security updates and re-certification performed

**Cost efficiency**

- No development / certification / investment cost
- Monthly fee only



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## Session “Quality and Validation of the DCC”

### Design and Implementation of a Digital Calibration Certificate Network Service Test System

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#### Abstract

The metrological calibration certificate is the main communication carrier for bottom-up value traceability in the calibration hierarchy. In the digital transformation of metrology, the machine-readable digital calibration certificate (DCC) is a difficult problem that needs to be solved first. PTB has designed a basic structure of DCC and implemented DCC in XML language. NIM is developing a DCC network service test system based on the basic structure of PTB's DCC while establishing infrastructure such as timestamp and CA system. This paper describes the design structure and preliminary implementation of the test system. The test system includes the XML metamodel of D-SI and DCC, the core measurement terms library, D-SI generation, and verification function module, the DCC generation function module, the DCC verification function module, the DCC related middleware library, the online automatic calibration service, the user Wizard-style operation interface, the user management service, and digital security service functions such as time stamp and digital signature service. On this test system, NIM's DCC-related new technologies and digital services can be tested, and the functions and performance of corresponding technologies and services can be continuously optimized. User-guided DCC generation services and time network automatic calibration DCC generation service cases have been initially implemented.

# Design and Implementation of a Digital Calibration Certificate Network Service Test System

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- 1 Introduction
- 2 Design principle of test system
- 3 Functional design of test system
- 4 Structural design of test system
- 5 Process design of test system
- 6 Preliminary realization of test system
- 7 Conclusion

## 1. Introduction



PTB has developed the structure, meta-model and Good Practice of DCC, which provide good reference and guidance for NMIs to develop DCC.

During the implementation, NIM faces several problems when developing its own DCC specifications and application systems:

- The calibration specifications and requirements of NMIs are not identical, so the development of DCC specifications cannot be completely consistent.
- The basic conditions for digitization of each NMIs are different, and the strategies adopted to develop DCC will be different.
- The degree of digitization of different metrology disciplines varies greatly. Some have been digitized, and some are far from being digitized. Therefore, the application methods of DCC are also different.

It is very necessary to establish a test system applying DCC. The system could provide more timely feedback and rapid iteration for the internationalization and universality of DCC.

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## 2 Design principle of test system



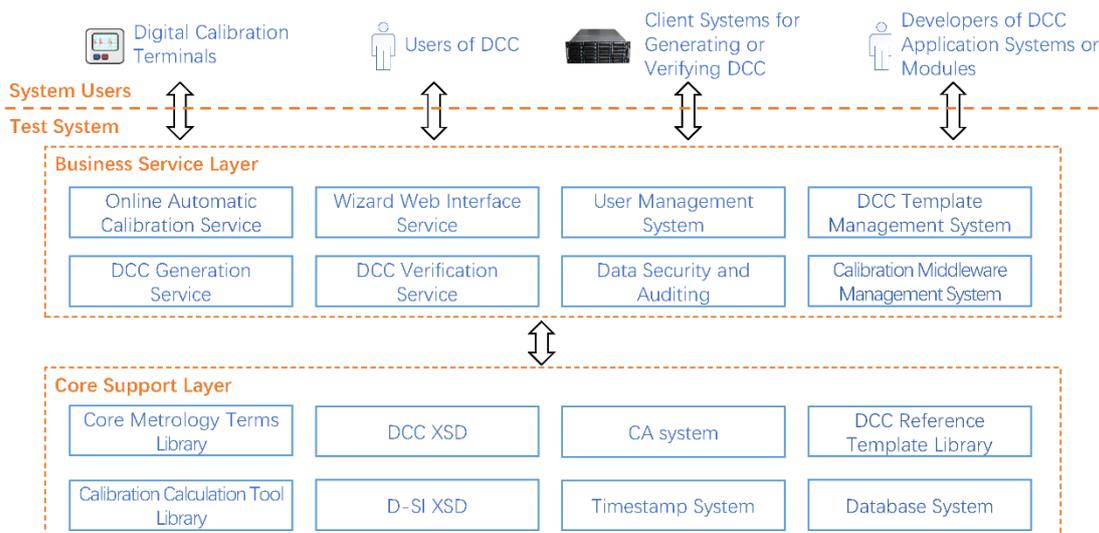
The development of the application DCC is still in the iterative process, so its application test system is required to be scalable and upgradeable. In order to realize the application test of DCC in many metrology disciplines, it needs to be developed to be networked. In order to meet this demand, we try to build an extensible and scalable network system to test the application of DCC.

- **Extensibility:** Allows adding new functional modules to the system
  - **Updatable:** Allows the system to be upgraded and changed.
  - **Version Compatibility:** All modules of the system are identified by version numbers, which are backward compatible
  - **Componentization:** All components are Web Services, and the component communication protocol is a RESTful API based on HTTP(S).
  - **Networking:** The system provides web interface and web service. The same function module interface is oriented to human operation and machine operation respectively.
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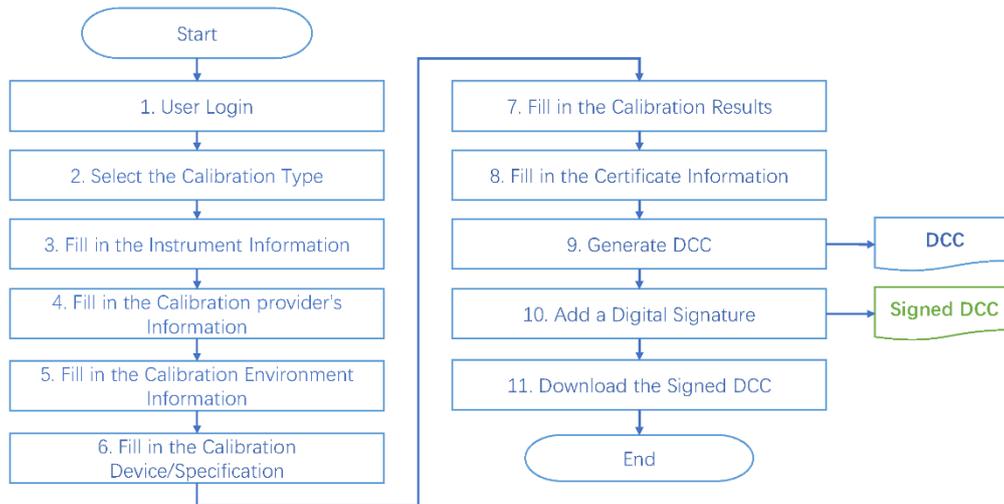
### 3 Functional design of test system

- **System service objects:** digital calibration terminals, client systems for generating or verifying DCC, users of DCC, developers of DCC application systems or modules.
- **System function:** DCC application test and practical application. DCC systems or modules are applied after passing the test, and new requirements are discovered in practical applications.
- **System service:** The system provides DCC generation and verification as the main line of functional application and application testing services.
- **Service mode of the system:** web wizard mode for human operation, web service for machine operation.
- **Application and testing combination:** The system provides application Demo for direct application, and also provides application testing API and documentation for testing and secondary development.

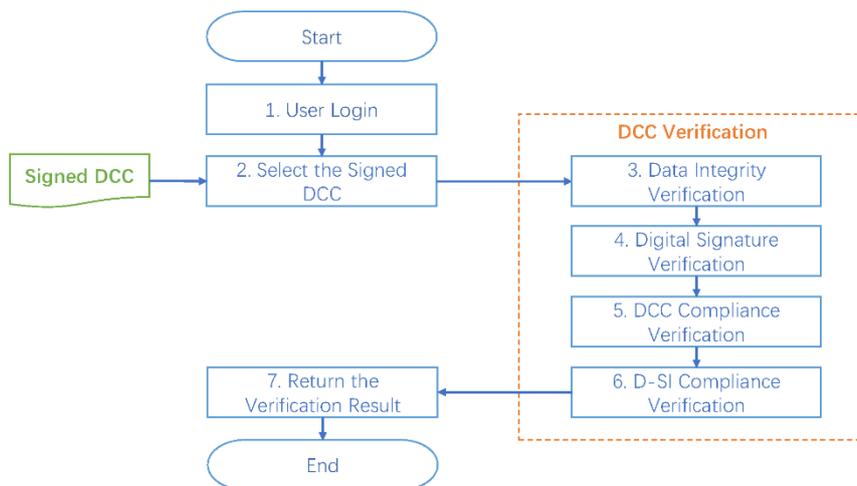
### 4 Structural Design of Test System



### 5 Process Design of Test System - Wizard-style Generation of DCC Flow



### 5 Process Design of Test System - Guided Verification DCC Process



## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard - Select Calibration Type

NIM 数字校准证书生成系统 NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导 Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新 Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证 Digital certificate verification

校准类型 Calibration type

仪器信息 Instrument information

校准提供者信息 Calibration Provider Information

校准环境 Calibration environment

校准装置/规范 Calibration device and specification

校准结果 Calibration result

证书信息 Certificate information

完成 Finish

← 上一步(Previous)

开始开始(Reset) ←

校准类型: 时间(Time)

生成数字证书(Generate DCC) >

**8. 配置完成, 准备生成证书**  
The configuration is complete, ready to generate a DCC

**仪器信息**  
Instrument information

客户名称(Customer)	北京市医疗器械检验研究院	器具名称(Appliance name)	脉谱计数器
型号/规格(Model)	GFC-S010H	出厂编号(Serial number)	GCC080890
生产厂家(Manufacturer)	GW INSTRUK	联系信息(Contact information)	/

**校准提供者信息**  
Calibration Provider Information

名称(Institution name)	中国计量科学研究院	地址(Address)	北京理工大学东校区10号
邮编(Post code)	100029	电话(Phone number)	010-64375166/74
传真(Fax)	010-64271918	网址(Website)	https://www.nim.ac.cn
电子邮箱(E-mail)	kehufu@nim.ac.cn		

**校准环境**  
Calibration environment

温度(Temperature)	22	温度单位(Temperature unit)	°C	湿度(Humidity)	10	湿度单位(Humidity unit)	%RH
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## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard -the calibrated instrument information

NIM 数字校准证书生成系统 NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导 Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新 Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证 Digital certificate verification

校准类型 Calibration type

仪器信息 Instrument information

校准提供者信息 Calibration Provider Information

校准环境 Calibration environment

校准装置/规范 Calibration device and specification

校准结果 Calibration result

证书信息 Certificate information

完成 Finish

← 上一步(Previous)

校准类型: 时间(Time)

下一步(Next) >

**2. 仪器信息**  
Instrument information

客户名称 Customer 北京市医疗器械检验研究院

器具名称 Appliance name 脉谱计数器

型号/规格 Model GFC-S010H

出厂编号 Serial number GCC080890

生产厂家 Manufacturer GW INSTRUK

联系信息 Contact information /



## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard –Calibration Devices and Specifications

NIM 数字校准证书生成系统  
NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导  
Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新  
Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证  
Digital certificate verification

校准类型  
Calibration type

仪器信息  
Instrument information

校准提供者信息  
Calibration Provider information

校准环境  
Calibration environment

校准装置/规范  
Calibration device and specification

校准结果  
Calibration result

证书信息  
Certificate information

完成  
Finish

← 上一步(Previous) 校准装置/规范(Calibration device and specification) 下一步(Next) →

### 5. 校准使用的装置/仪器、规范 Calibration device/instrument and specification

校准使用的装置/仪器  
Device/instrument used for calibration

修改 Modify	名称 Name	测量范围 Measurement range	不确定度/准确度等级 Uncertainty/accuracy	证书编号 Certificate number	证书有效期至 The certificate is valid until	删除 Delete
<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>	原子时标	5 MHz ~ 10 MHz	$5 \times 10^{-15}$	国基证(2014)第076号	/	<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>
<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>	锁相放大器	1 μHz ~ 80 MHz	$5 \times 10^{-15}$ (EXT REF)	SPs2021-12263	2022-12-30	<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>
<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>	信号发生器	250 kHz ~ 40 GHz	$5 \times 10^{-15}$ (EXT REF)	XDx12021-10889	2022-06-01	<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>
<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>	频率比较器	5 MHz ~ 10 MHz	$1 \times 10^{-12}$ / <sub>10</sub>	SPs2021-10545	2022-04-01	<a href="#">删除(Delete)</a>

## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard –Calibration result

NIM 数字校准证书生成系统  
NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导  
Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新  
Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证  
Digital certificate verification

校准类型  
Calibration type

仪器信息  
Instrument information

校准提供者信息  
Calibration Provider information

校准环境  
Calibration environment

校准装置/规范  
Calibration device and specification

校准结果  
Calibration result

证书信息  
Certificate information

完成  
Finish

← 上一步(Previous) 校准结果(Calibration result) 下一步(Next) →

### 6. 校准结果 Calibration result

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数据单元(Data unit type): 文字(Text)

1. 测量时间: 2022年1月26日至2022年1月26日  
2. 校准结果:

↑ 上一步(Previous) ↓ 下一步(Next) 数据单元(Data unit) 2 [删除\(Delete\)](#)

数据单元(Data unit type): 表格(Table) (表格编辑过程中, 只能包含一个表格)

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## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard –Certificate auxiliary information

NIM 数字校准证书生成系统 NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导 Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新 Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证 Digital certificate verification

校准类型 Calibration type

仪器信息 Instrument information

校准提供者信息 Calibration Provider Information

校准环境 Calibration environment

校准装置/规范 Calibration device and specification

校准结果 Calibration result

7 证书信息 Certificate information

8 完成 Finish

← 上一步(Previous)

校准类型 时间(Time)

下一步(NEXT) →

**7. 证书信息**  
Certificate information

校准日期 Calibration date: 2022-01-26

签发日期 Receipt date: 2022-01-26

发布日期 Release date: 2022-01-26

证书编号 Certificate number: SP482022-00156

校准项 Calibration: 频率

校验员 Verifier: 刘海丰

批准人 Approver: 王宝军

说明 Description: 根据客户需求和校准文件的约定, 通常情况下 12 个月校准一次。

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## 6.1 DCC Generation Wizard –Certificate Information Preview

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校准提供者信息更新 Calibration Provider Information Update

数字证书验证 Digital certificate verification

校准类型 Calibration type

仪器信息 Instrument information

校准提供者信息 Calibration Provider Information

校准环境 Calibration environment

校准装置/规范 Calibration device and specification

校准结果 Calibration result

7 证书信息 Certificate information

8 完成 Finish

← 上一步(Previous)

重新开始(Retry) ←

校准类型 时间(Time)

生成数字证书(Generate DCC) →

**8. 配置完成, 准备生成证书**  
The configuration is complete, ready to generate a DCC

**仪器信息**  
Instrument Information

客户名称(Customer)	北京地实行管理咨询有限公司	器具名称(Appliance name)	模拟计数器
型号/规格(Model)	GFC-S010H	出厂编号(Serial number)	GCO90890
生产商(Manufacturer)	GW INSTR	联系信息(Contact information)	/

**校准提供者信息**  
Calibration Provider Information

名称(Institution name)	中国计量科学研究院	地址(Address)	北京海淀区玉泉营18号
邮编(Post code)	100029	电话(Phone number)	010-6422569/74
传真(Fax)	010-64271940	网址(Website)	http://www.nim.ac.cn
电子邮箱(E-mail)	info@awi.nim.ac.cn		

**校准环境**  
Calibration environment

温度(Temperature)	22	温度单位(Temperature unit)	°C	湿度(Humidity)	10	湿度单位(Humidity unit)	%RH
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## 6.1 Calibration Provider Information Update

### 校准提供者信息 Calibration Provider Information

机构名称 Institution name	中国计量科学研究院	邮编 Post code	100029
地址 Address	北京北三环西路15号	传真 Fax	010-84271548
电话 Phone number	010-64255897/4	电子邮箱 E-mail	lufu.tan@nim.ac.cn
网址 Website	http://www.nim.ac.cn		
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## 6.2 DCC Verification-Select the DCC to verify

### 核验DCC证书文件 Verify DCC file

请选择要验证的DCC文件  
Select the DCC file to verify

## 6.2 DCC Verification-DCC Verification Results

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NIM DCC Generation System

证书生成向导  
Certificate Generation Wizard

校准提供者信息更新  
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Digital certificate verification

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**核验DCC证书文件**  
Verify DCC file

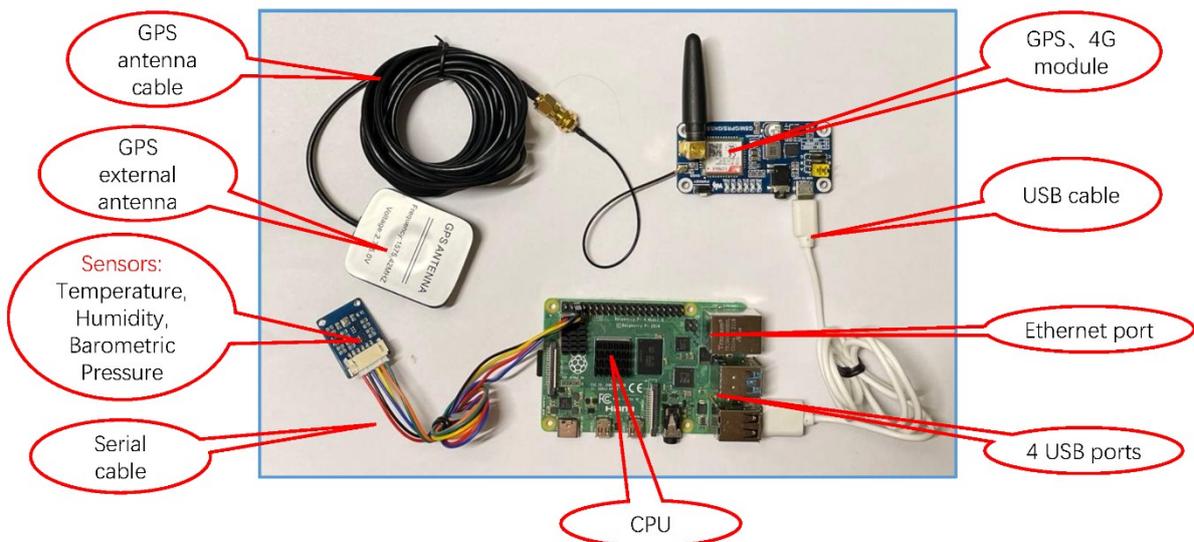
选择要验证的文件  
Select the DCC file to verify

成功(success)  
校验通过(Verification passed)

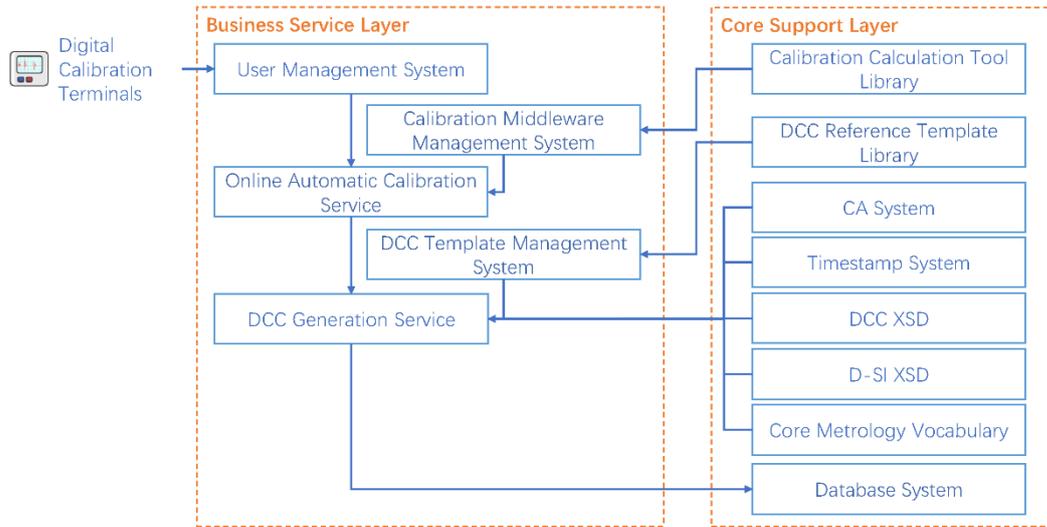
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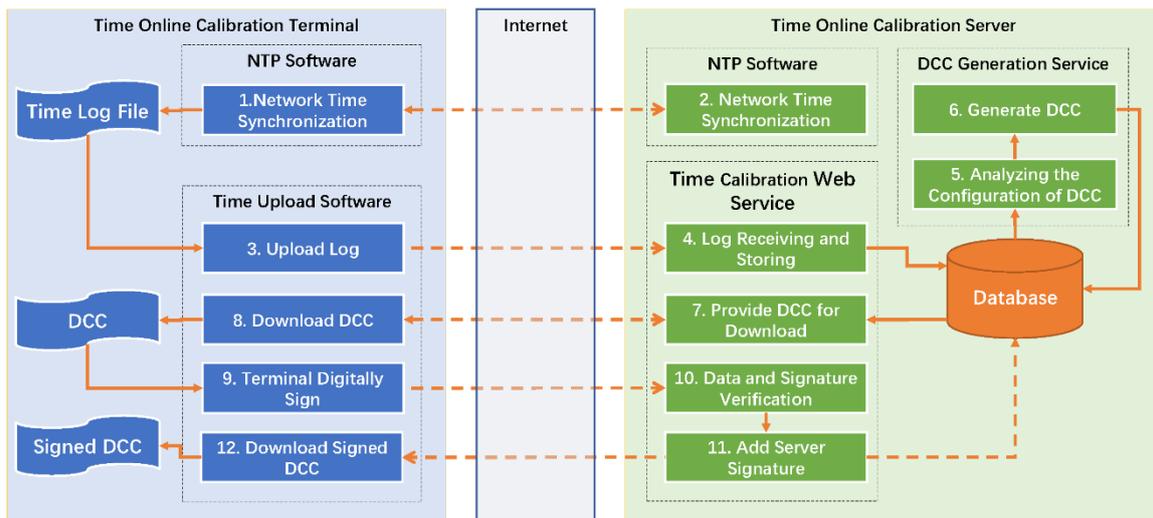
## 6.3 Preliminary realization of test system-digital test terminals



### 6.3 Design of Test System Flow for Serving Digital Calibration Terminal



### 6.4 Preliminary Realization of Test System



## 7 Conclusion

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1. The design and development of the system is preliminary
2. Multiple metrology disciplines and multiple methods of DCC application testing are required to iterate and improve the system
3. We will strengthen cooperation with NMIs such as PTB to achieve international mutual recognition of DCC.

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# Thanks

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## Verifying DCCs

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### Abstract

Once in a while DCCs need to be verified by their own editors, customers and (accreditation) auditors.

This presentation will discuss some means to check the conformity with the schema version and with the requirements of the ISO/IEC 17025. In addition, it will be shown how to verify the authenticity and integrity of the DCC via a digital signature and whether the human readable output is in accordance with the content of the DCC.

# Verifying DCCs

Hans Koch

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## To whome it may concern?

- Small and medium sized calibration labs  
with little or only moderate IT-expertise
- DCC customers
- Auditors
- DCC middleware developers

## Outline:

- Checking the validity of the digital signature
- Checking the conformity with the dcc.xsd
- 17025 auditing of a DCC
- Checking the numbers
- Checking the validity of the accreditation

### A DCC is just an ordinary text-file

It can easily be modified and it is vulnerable (i.e. a favourite hacker tool! see: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/xml.html#xml-vulnerabilities> )

#### XML vulnerabilities

The XML processing modules are not secure against maliciously constructed data. An attacker can abuse XML features to carry out denial of service attacks, access local files, generate network connections to other machines, or circumvent firewalls.

The following table gives an overview of the known attacks and whether the various modules are vulnerable to them.

kind	sax	etree	minidom	pulldom	xmlrpc
billion laughs	<b>Vulnerable</b> (1)				
quadratic blowup	<b>Vulnerable</b> (1)				
external entity expansion	Safe (5)	Safe (2)	Safe (3)	Safe (5)	Safe (4)
DTD retrieval	Safe (5)	Safe	Safe	Safe (5)	Safe
decompression bomb	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	<b>Vulnerable</b>

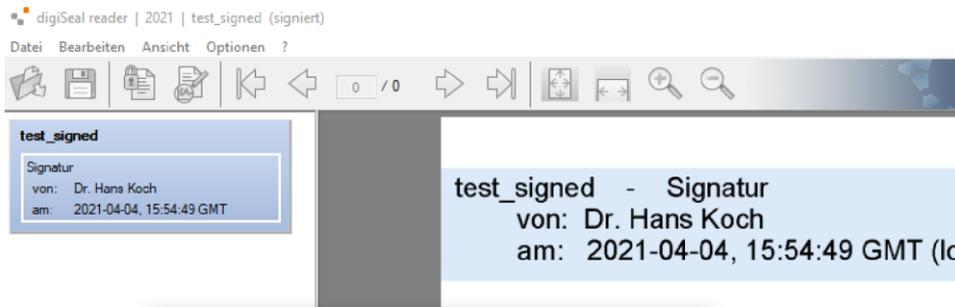
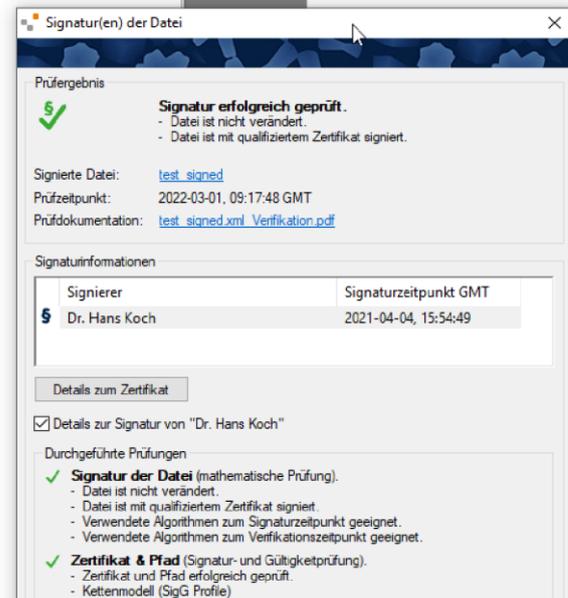
# ISO/IEC 17025:2018

<b>7.8.2</b>	<b>Common requirements for reports (test, calibration or sampling)</b>
7.8.2.1	Each report shall include at least the following information, unless the laboratory has valid reasons for not doing so, thereby <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">minimizing any possibility of misunderstanding or misuse:</span> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">d) unique identification that all its components are recognized as a portion of a complete report and a clear identification of the end;</span></li> <li>e) the name and contact information of the customer;</li> <li>f) identification of the method used;</li> </ul>

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  - <ds:SignedInfo>
    <ds:CanonicalizationMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/REC-xml-c14n-20010315"/>
    <ds:SignatureMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2007/05/xmldsig-more#sha256-rsa-MGF1"/>
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        <ds-xpath:XPath Filter="subtract" xmlns:ds-
          xpath="http://www.w3.org/2002/06/xmldsig-
            filter2"/>/descendant::ds:Signature</ds-xpath:XPath>
        </ds:Transform>
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        </ds:Transforms>
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        <ds:DigestValue>tfjQw0JrhctnJJNg7ZZBEaTo/Rk59dkfmFGsB2CI2nM=</ds:DigestValue>
      </ds:Reference>
    - <ds:Reference
      URI="#SignTime_XMLSignature_D096BC153F37C159569BA56A78427494F2EE4856"
      Type="http://uri.etsi.org/01903#SignedProperties">
        <ds:DigestMethod Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#sha256"/>
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      </ds:Reference>
    </ds:SignedInfo>
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```

<https://www.secrypt.de/en/digiseal-reader/>

digisSeal reader | 2021 | test\_signed (signiert)

### Signatur(en) der Datei

**Prüfergebnis**

**Signatur erfolgreich geprüft.**

- Datei ist nicht verändert.
- Datei ist mit qualifiziertem Zertifikat signiert.

Signierte Datei: [test\\_signed](#)

Prüfzeitpunkt: 2021-05-07, 09:58:33 GMT

Prüfdokumentation: [test\\_signed.xml](#) [Verifikation.pdf](#)

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**Signaturinformationen**

Signierer	Signaturzeitpunkt GMT
Dr. Hans Koch	2021-04-04, 15:54:49

[Details zum Zertifikat](#)

Details zur Signatur von "Dr. Hans Koch"

**Durchgeführte Prüfungen**

- Signatur der Datei** (mathematische Prüfung).
  - Datei ist nicht verändert.
  - Datei ist mit qualifiziertem Zertifikat signiert.
  - Verwendete Algorithmen zum Signaturzeitpunkt geeignet.
  - Verwendete Algorithmen zum Verifikationszeitpunkt geeignet.
- Zertifikat & Pfad** (Signatur- und Gültigkeitsprüfung).
  - Zertifikat und Pfad erfolgreich geprüft.
  - Kettenmodell (SigG Profile)
- Zertifikatsstatus** (OCSP / CRL).
  - Zertifikatsstatus erfolgreich geprüft.
  - Signaturzertifikat: Gültig (OCSP-Auskunft vom 2021-05-07, 09:59:33 GMT)
  - Ausstellerzertifikat: Gültig (OCSP-Auskunft vom 2021-05-07, 09:59:38 GMT)
  - Wurzelzertifikat: Gültig (OCSP-Auskunft vom 2021-05-07, 09:59:33 GMT)

**OK**

- Zertifikat und Pfad erfolgreich geprüft.  
- Kettenmodell (SigG Profile)

### Zertifikat

**Allgemein** | **Details** | **Zertifizierungspfad**

**Zertifizierungspfad**

- D-TRUST Root CA 3 2016
  - D-TRUST CA 3-1 2016
    - Dr. Hans Koch

[Zertifikat anzeigen](#)

**Zertifizierungsstatus:**

Dieses Zertifikat ist gültig.

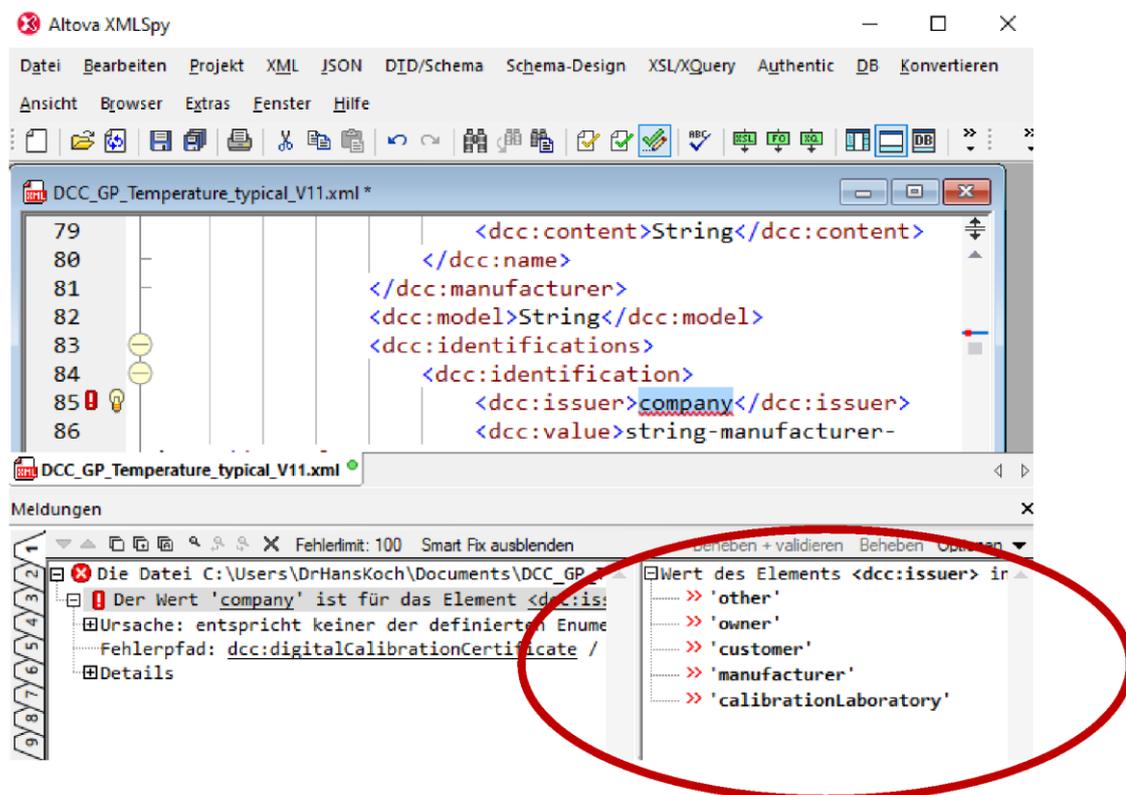
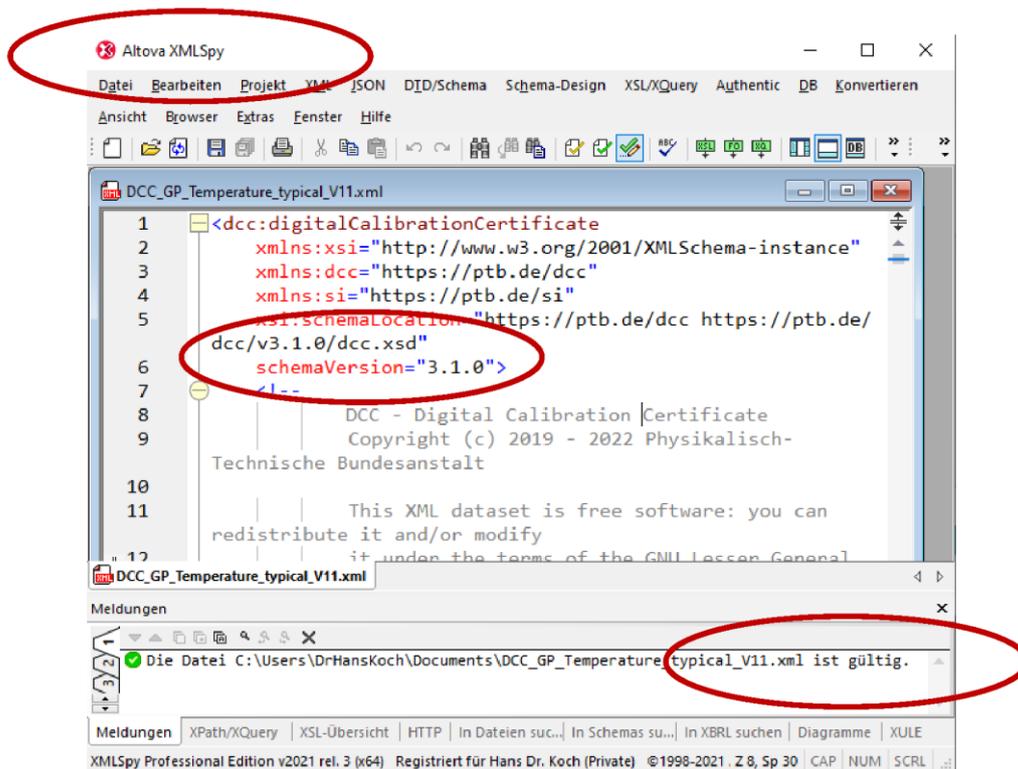
**OK**

# ISO/IEC 17025:2018

## Main schema dcc.xsd

Namespace	https://ptb.de/dcc
Annotations	<p>DCC - Digital Calibration Certificate Copyright (c) 2019 - 2021 Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt</p> <p>This XML Schema Definition (XSD) is free software: you can redistribute it under the terms of the GNU Lesser General Public License as published by the Free Software Foundation, version 3 of the License.</p>

# dcc.xml



# Verification



## A DCC is human readable as well!

More comfortable:

A pdf-file generated **solely from data of the DCC.**

... and integrated into the DCC:

```

</dcc:measurementResults>
- <dcc:document>
  - <dcc:name>
    <dcc:content>C:/Users/DrHansKoch/Documents/test_folder
  </dcc:name>
  - <dcc:description>
    <dcc:content lang="de">Menschenlesbare PDF-Datei</dcc:content>
    <dcc:content lang="en">Human-readable PDF file</dcc:content>
  </dcc:description>
  <dcc:fileName>C:/Users/DrHansKoch/Documents/test_folder
  <dcc:mimeType>application/pdf</dcc:mimeType>
  <dcc:dataBase64/>jQKJZOMi54gUmVwb3J0TGFiIEIbmVyy
</dcc:document>
- <ds:Signature Id="XMLSignature_D096BC153F37C159569BA56A7
    
```

Not necessary, but nice to have:

- for the developer
- for the customer
- for the auditor

**Calib Patron & Söhne GmbH**

calib 1128  
D-6:  
XXXX-01-00  
2014-04

**1. Kalibriegenstand**  
Hand-Digitalmultimeter

**2. Bezugsnormale**  
Fluke 5700A / SN: 5 000 00X / Inv.-Nr.: A001 / DAAS Nr.: 0001 2020-01 gültig bis 11.2020  
Fluke 5725A / SN: 5 000 00Y / Inv.-Nr.: A002 / DAAS Nr.: 0002 2020-01 gültig bis 11.2020  
HP3458A / SN: 2823A20001 / Inv.-Nr.: A003 / DAAS Nr.: 0003 2020-01 gültig bis 02.2020

**3. Kalibrierverfahren**  
Die Kalibrierung erfolgte durch Vergleich der entsprechenden Messgrößen des Digitalmultimeters mit den durch die Kalibriergeräte / Normale dargestellten Werten. (Vorgegebener Wert, angezeigter Wert)

**4. Messgrößen**  
Die Kalibrierung umfasst die Messgrößen Gleichspannung, Gleichstromstärke, Gleichstromwiderstand, Wechselspannung, Wechselstromstärke und Frequenz.

**5. Ort der Kalibrierung**  
Die Kalibrierung findet im Permanentlabor des Kalibrierlaboratoriums statt.

**6. Umgebungsbedingungen**  
Die Kalibrierung wurde bei folgenden Umgebungsbedingungen ausgeführt:  
Raumtemperatur: 23° ± 3° C  
rel. Luftfeuchte: 45 % ± 15 %

**7. Messergebnisse**

Spannungsbereiche

Bereich	Para- meter	vorgegebener Wert	angezeigter Wert	Abweichung	Messunsicherheit
300 mV		0 V	0,00 mV	0,0 mV	4,13e-06 V
300 mV		0,29000 V	289,96 mV	-0,04 mV	4,13e-06 V
300 mV		-0,29000 V	-289,96 mV	0,04 mV	4,13e-06 V
3 V		2,9000 V	2,8996 V	-0,0004 V	3,17e-05 V
3 V		-2,9000 V	-2,8996 V	0,0004 V	3,17e-05 V
30 V		29,0000 V	28,998 V	-0,002 V	4,05e-04 V
30 V		290,0000 V	290,00 V	0,0 V	4,00e-03 V
1000 V		1000,0000 V	1000,0 V	0,0 V	3,00e-02 V
300 mV	50 Hz	0,2900 V	289,92 mV	-0,08 mV	2,89e-03 V
3 V	50 Hz	2,9000 V	2,8992 V	-0,0008 V	2,89e-04 V
30 V	50 Hz	29,0000 V	28,996 V	-0,004 V	3,15e-03 V
300 V	50 Hz	290,0000 V	289,96 V	-0,04 V	4,32e-02 V
1000 V	50 Hz	150,000 V	149,6 V	-0,4 V	1,09e-01 V

Mit \* markierte Werte wurden nicht im Rahmen der DAAS-Akkreditierung ermittelt.

Seite 2 von 3  
page 2 of 3

## checking the numbers

### Attention! Declaration of uncertainties:

This value must be the expanded uncertainty!!!

```
- <si:realListXMLList>
  <si:valueXMLList>0.072 0.089 0.107 0.009 -0.084</si:valueXMLList>
  <si:unitXMLList>\kelvin</si:unitXMLList>
  - <si:expandedUncXMLList>
    <si:uncertaintyXMLList>0.061</si:uncertaintyXMLList>
    <si:coverageFactorXMLList>2</si:coverageFactorXMLList>
    <si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>0.95</si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>
    <si:distributionXMLList>normal</si:distributionXMLList>
  </si:expandedUncXMLList>
</si:realListXMLList>
```

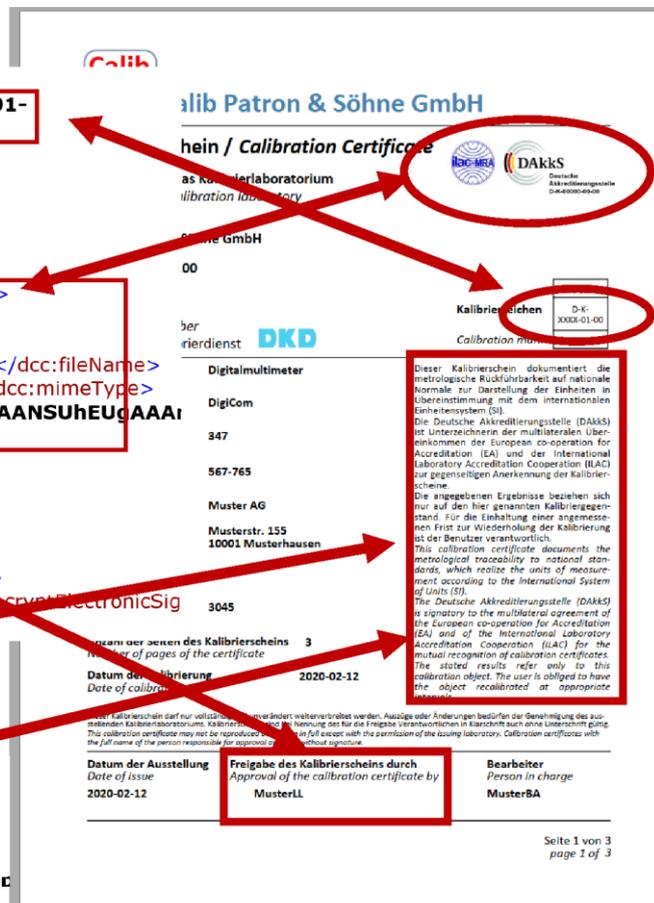
### Better, but not solvable?:

```
- <si:uncertaintyXMLList>
  <si:expandedUncXMLList> 0.061 </si:expandedUncXMLList>
  <si:coverageFactorXMLList>2</si:coverageFactorXMLList>
  <si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>0.95</si:coverageProbabilityXMLList>
  <si:distributionXMLList>normal</si:distributionXMLList>
</si:uncertaintyXMLList>
```

# Validity of accreditation

```

- <dcc:calibrationLaboratory>
  <dcc:calibrationLaboratoryCode>D-K-XXXX-01-00</dcc:calibrationLaboratoryCode>
  - <dcc:contact id="labContactData">
    + <dcc:name>
      <dcc:eMail/>
      <dcc:phone/>
      <dcc:fax/>
    + <dcc:location>
      - <dcc:descriptionData id="dakksSymbol">
        + <dcc:name>
          + <dcc:description>
            <dcc:fileName>DAkKS_Symbol.png</dcc:fileName>
            <dcc:mimeType>application/png</dcc:mimeType>
            <dcc:dataBase64>iVBORwOKGgoAAAANSUHuEUgAAA</dcc:dataBase64>
          </dcc:descriptionData>
        </dcc:contact>
      </dcc:calibrationLaboratory>
    - <dcc:respPersons>
      - <dcc:respPerson id="Responsible">
        + <dcc:person>
          <dcc:mainSigner>true</dcc:mainSigner>
          <dcc:cryptElectronicSignature>true</dcc:cryptElectronicSig
        </dcc:respPerson>
      - <dcc:statement id="Traceability">
        <dcc:convention>Traceability</dcc:convention>
        <dcc:traceable>true</dcc:traceable>
      - <dcc:declaration>
        <dcc:content lang="de"> Dieses Kalibrierzert
          dokumentiert die metrologische
        - <dcc:statement id="EA_ILAC">
          - <dcc:declaration>
            <dcc:content lang="de"> Die deutsche
              Akkreditierungsstelle (DAkKS) ist
              Unterzeichner der multilateralen
              Übereinkommen der European co-op
    
```



**The XADES-signature ensures  
Authenticity and Integrity**

The end

## Digital Calibration Certificates (DCC) using the Quality Information Framework (QIF)

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### Abstract

A demonstration in how QIF can be used for a secure interoperable standard to exchange metrology equipment calibration certificate information A description on the history and scope of ISO 23592:2020 (Quality Information Framework 3.0 - QIF – <https://qifstandards.org/>) and demonstration of how QIF can be used for a secure interoperable standard to exchange metrology equipment calibration certificate information. Consideration of rationale and approach to harmonize the PTB DCC and the Dimensional Metrology Standards Consortium QIF standards.

## History and Scope of the ISO Quality Information Framework (QIF) and applicability for Digital Calibration Certificates (DCC) using the QIF

The 2<sup>nd</sup> International DCC-Conference

# DCC

March 3, 2022

DESCRIPTION OF THE QUALITY  
INFORMATION FRAMEWORK



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National Metrology Institute



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Mitutoyo America Corporation



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The Center for Precision Metrology  
The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

**Interoperability: The ability of machines, devices, sensors, software and people to connect and communicate with each other**

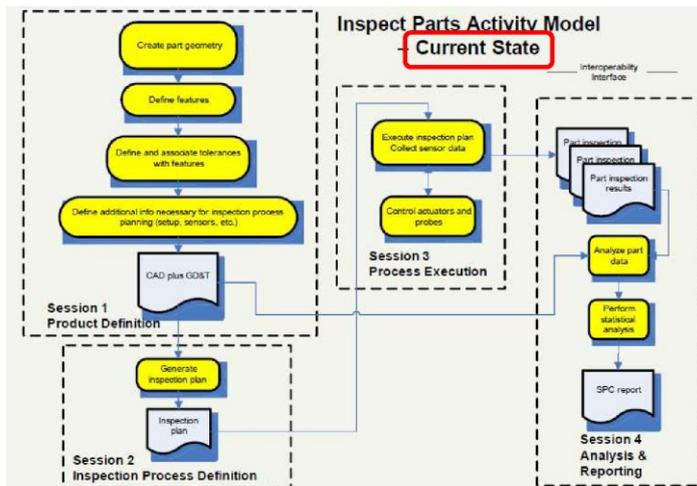
Information Transparency: Virtual copy of the real world enhancing digital models with sensor data – digital twinning

Technical Assistance: the ability for systems to support humans through aggregate visual support interfaces and the use of cyber physical systems.

Decentralized Decisions: The ability of systems to be smart and capable of autonomy in executing tasks

## Four Principles of Industry 4.0 Smart Manufacturing



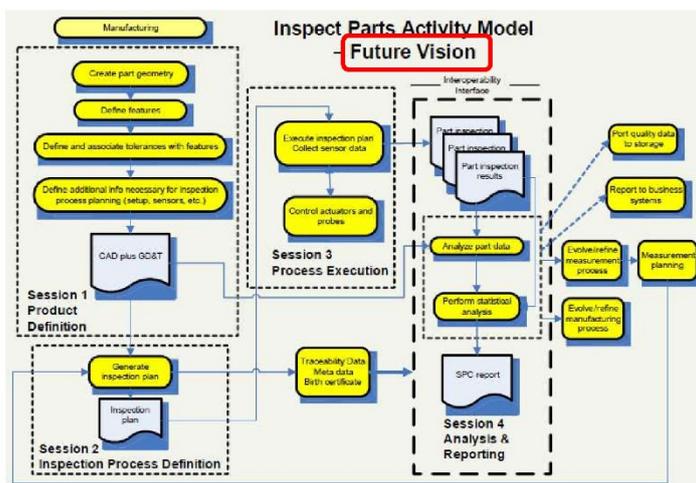


### A defining event in the Advanced Manufacturing Enterprise

- Downstream data flows
- Design
  - Planning
  - Execution
  - Reporting and Analysis

At that time the applicable manufacturing quality interoperability standards were AP203, AP214, DML and QMD

## NIST 2006 International Metrology Interoperability Summit – as is (WAS)



Work groups enhanced downstream data flows\*

Identified of upstream data flows

Recent gains in interoperability via standards such as ISO AP 242, MTConnect and ANSI/ISO QIF

\*well before the following terms were used:

- Industry 4.0
- Internet of things (IoT)
- Digital thread

## NIST 2006 International Metrology Interoperability Summit – to be (NOW?)



## DMSC objective . . .

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- To **reduce** the cost of quality,
- To gain the **freedom to choose** best in class / best in value solutions,
- Through **open, non-proprietary standards** for computer aided dimensional metrology.

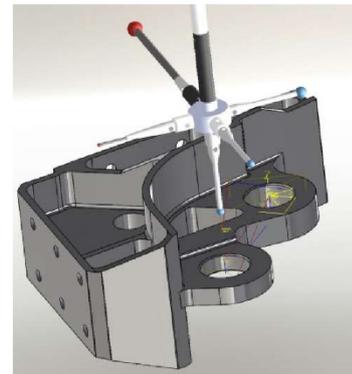


## Who is the DMSC?

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- a **non-for-profit**, cooperative sponsorship organization.
- **focused on** or relating to digital **dimensional** metrology.
- dedicated to identifying, promoting, fostering, and encouraging the **development** and **interoperability** of standards that benefit the dimensional metrology community.
- **accredited national standard-making organization** with international presence.



## Digital Metrology Standards Consortium

- Members from Government, Academic, Vendor and OEMs
- Actively develops and maintains ISO 23952:2020 (Quality Information Framework v3)
- Primary use cases for model-based enterprise and quality information workflows in advanced manufacturing



## What is QIF?

- The **Quality Information Framework (QIF)** is a unified XML framework standard for computer-aided quality QIF systems
- QIF enables the capture, use, and re-use of metrology-related information throughout the Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) and Product Data Management (PDM) domains.
- QIF is a set of XML Schemas that represent the following:
  - Model Based Definition
  - Quality Plans
  - Quality Resources
  - Quality Rules
  - Quality Results
  - Quality Statistics

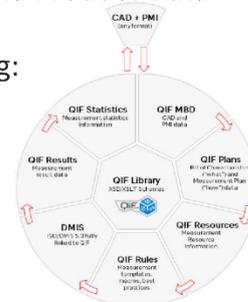
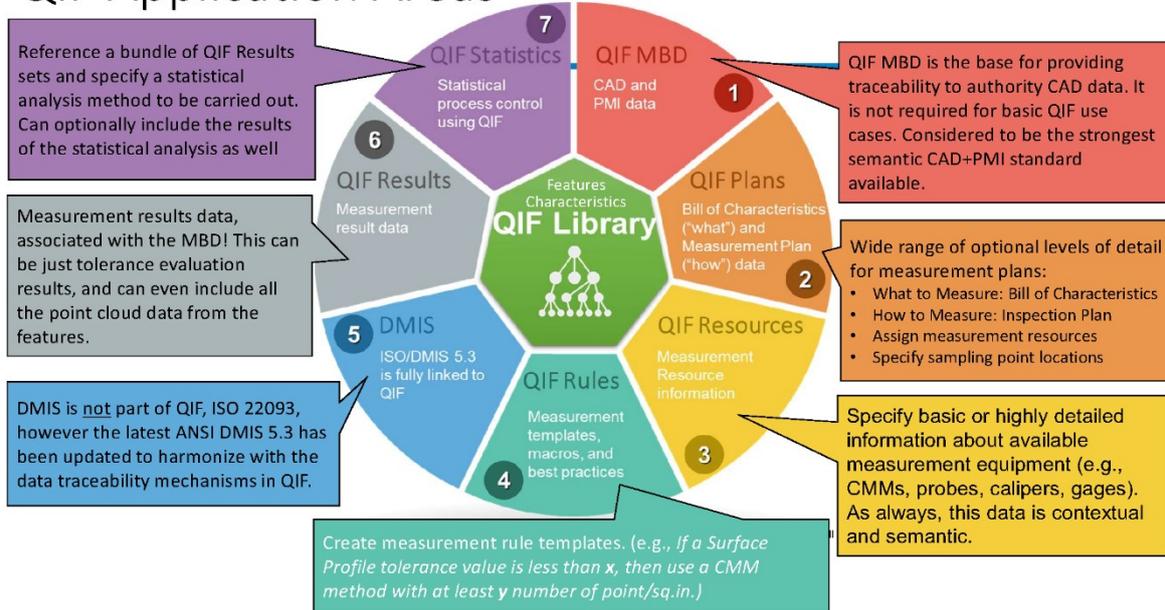


Figure 1 – QIF version 3.0 information architecture

## QIF Application Areas



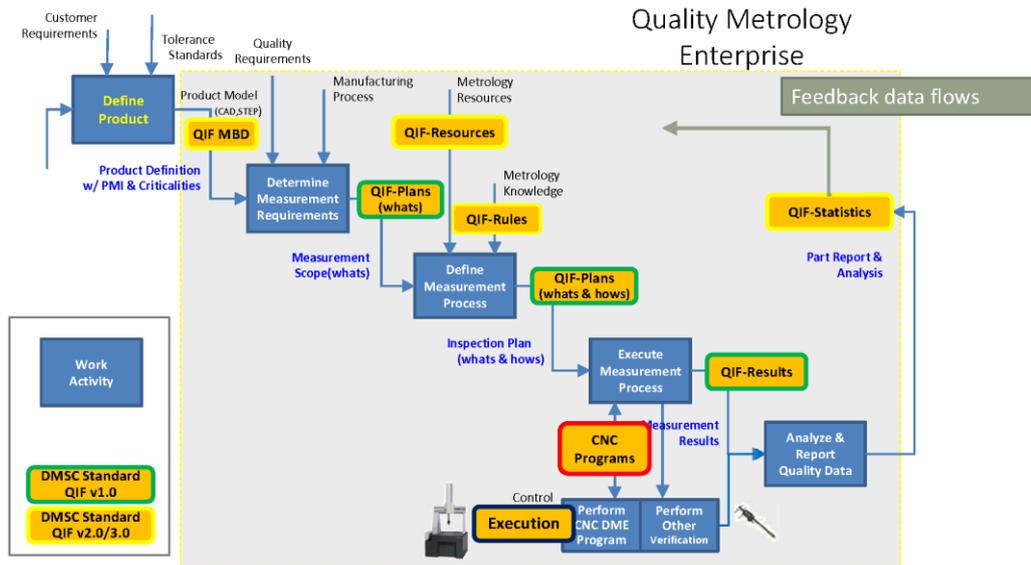
## QPIDs – Persistent UUID within the QIF



### QIF Persistent Identifier (QPId) *noun* Cu·pid \ 'kyü-pəd\

- Universally Unique Identifier (UUID) (adopted by Microsoft as GUID)
  - ISO/IEC 9834-8
  - 550e8400-e29b-41d4-a716-446655440000
- Chances of generating two that are the same within the universe are practically nil.
  - 34000000000000000000000000000000 (3.4x10<sup>38</sup>) possible UUIDs
- **Allows information to be combined later without resolving identifier conflicts**
- Many software development libraries generate UUIDs
- QPIDs uniquely identify
  - QIF Document
  - QIF Plan
  - QIF Result
  - QIF Rule Set
  - Feature Item
  - Characteristic Item
  - Product Item
  - Resource Item

**Important Mechanism that facilitates Lifecycle Connectivity w/ Traceability**

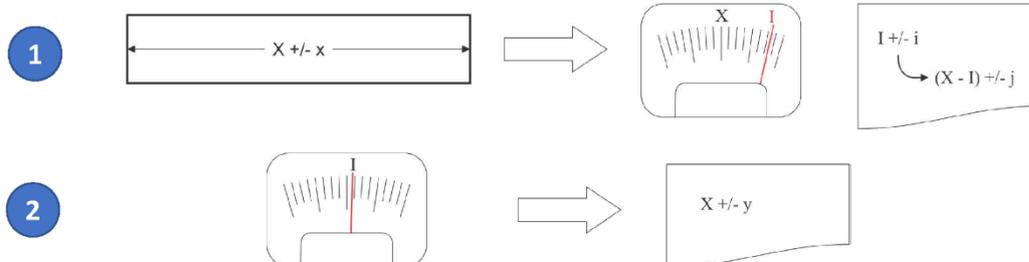


ANSI/ISO QIF v3.0 for Digital Product Verification

## Definition of Calibration (VIM3)

### calibration

operation that, under specified conditions, in a first step, establishes a relation between the quantity values with measurement uncertainties provided by measurement standards and corresponding indications with associated measurement uncertainties and, in a second step, uses this information to establish a relation for obtaining a measurement result from an indication



## Why Calibration ?

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- Establish Metrological Traceability to:
  - The SI unit(s)
  - National/International Standards
  
- Calibration provides the end-user of instruments with confidence in the instrument measurement results.
  
- Accreditation to ISO 17025 is largely centered on calibration.

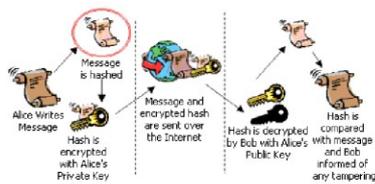
## How can a DCC be cast as a QIF document?

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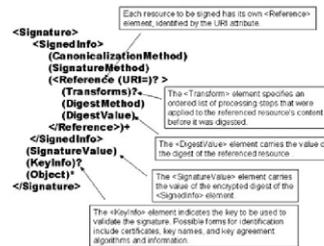
- A calibration procedure prescribes the evaluation of specific metrological characteristics for a type of measurement equipment. This is a QIF measurement plan.
  
- Calibration results contain the as-found or as-adjusted observations against standard references (e.g., gage blocks). This is a QIF result.
  
- Measuring devices (e.g., standard references) are QIF resources.
  - The inspecting device information is referenced at the test point measurement level.

## XML Signature Syntax and Processing Version 1.1

specifies XML digital signature processing rules and syntax. XML Signatures provide [integrity](#), [message authentication](#), and/or [signer authentication](#) services for data of any type, whether located within the XML that includes the signature or elsewhere



[XML Signature \(slideshare.net\)](#)



## Digital Signature

### Signature, Detached

The signature is over content external to the `Signature` element and can be identified via a `URI` or transform.

Consequently, the signature is "detached" from the content it signs. This definition typically applies to separate data objects, but it also includes the instance where the `Signature` and data object reside within the same XML document but are sibling elements.

### Signature, Enveloping

The signature is over content found within an `Object` element of the signature itself. The `Object` (or its content) is identified via a `Reference` (via a `URI` fragment identifier or transform).

### Signature, Enveloped

The signature is over the XML content that contains the signature as an element. The content provides the root XML document element. Obviously, enveloped signatures must take care not to include their own value in the calculation of the `SignatureValue`.

# Example: 0-6" Caliper



### Certificate of Calibration

Name & Address: [Redacted] Control No.: 16462 Rev. 1  
 Description: DIGITAL CALIPER  
 Code Number: 500-195-30  
 Serial Number: A20110364

Calibration Date: 1/13/2020  
 Certificate Issue Date: 1/13/2020  
 Date Put into Service:

Description	Tolerance	As Found Error	Description	Tolerance	As Left Error
Outside @ 1 inch	±0.0010	0.0000	Inside @ 1 inch	±0.0010	0.0000
Outside @ 2 inch	±0.0010	0.0000	Inside @ 0.2 inch	±0.0010	0.0000
Outside @ 4 inch	±0.0010	0.0000	Step @ 1 inch	±0.0010	0.0000
Outside @ 6 inch	±0.0010	0.0000	Depth @ 1 inch	±0.0010	0.0000

Conformance to manufacturer's specifications: As Found Condition - NEW, As-Left Condition - PASS All values listed in in

Id.	Description	Cal Error	Pass/Fail
MAR93-4	GAGE BLOCK	10/29/2019 10/1/2020	
MAR12-6	CALIPER CHECKER	2/7/2020 2/28/2021	
L30-300	SRG-50K	7/25/2018 1/27/2020	

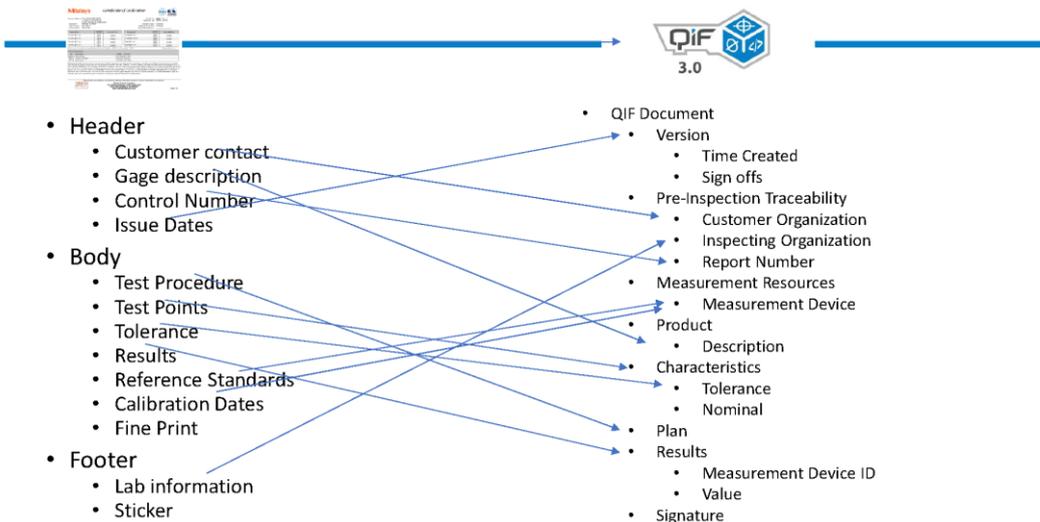
Statements of conformance are based on the test values and the original manufacturer's tolerance shown above and adjust accounting for the measurement uncertainty using a simple acceptance decision rule. The measurement uncertainty = 0.12 · N = ±(10+2L) · 1.2 IN = ±(120+2L) μm, with L in inches which achieves better than a 4:1 test uncertainty ratio (TUR). This uncertainty represents an expanded uncertainty expressed at approximately a 95% confidence level using a coverage factor of 2. The errors shown above are test values for verification purposes only. These test values are traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology through the listed Mitutoyo reference standards, NIST traceable (950520A1-0). Procedures CLM-7 REV. 01 in accordance with CALIPERS, ALL TYPES AND SIZES. Environment: 20°C ±0.2°C, RH 40% to 50%. This is an endorsed accredited calibrator, verifies (MQLA 6750-1) in accordance to ISO/IEC 17025:2017 and ANSI/NCSL Z540-1:1994. This certificate shall not be reproduced except in full without the written permission of Mitutoyo America Corporation.

This calibration was performed at the world-class Mitutoyo Calibration Laboratory. Customer visits and tours are welcome.

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## Mitutoyo America Certificate of Calibration mapped as QIF Document



## Altova Sample File Demo

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## Questions?

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**Vision**

Making the Digital Thread a digital highway by connecting design and quality data in a common framework.

**Mission**

Building the digital metrology framework that standardizes data for manufacturers. A framework that makes quality data into information to improve and control processes.

- [Digital Metrology Standards Consortium QIF & DMIS Standards \(qifstandards.org\)](http://qifstandards.org)

## Using Schematron to verify DCCs

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### Abstract

Another major advantage of digitization is the ability to check content for rules and consistency. The matching of the DCC with the DCC schema has proven to be a strategic advantage in this regard, thus ensuring the conformity of the structure of the DCC to the DCC schema.

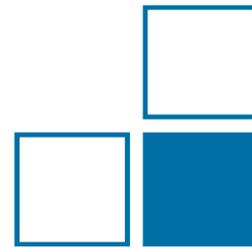
When checking the content and structure of a DCC, schema checking reaches its limits. At this point, Schematron, a method described in ISO/IEC 19757-3:2020-06, comes into action. Schematron can be used, for example, to check whether the date of the end of calibration is before the date of the start of calibration.

The presentation will first discuss Schematron itself. Then examples will be given to show how Schematron can contribute to the validation of the DCC. The special adaptation of Schematron to GP-DCCs will also be discussed.

# Schematron Validation

## 2<sup>nd</sup> International DCC Conference

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## Schematron



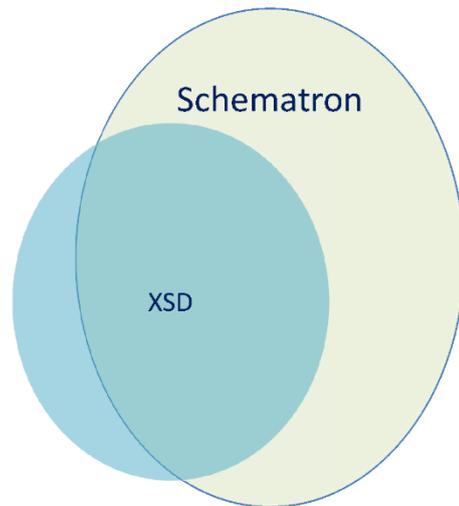
- Schematron is a simple and powerful **Structural Schema Language** for making assertions about patterns found in XML documents
- It is not based on grammars but finding tree patterns in the parsed document
- It is an Open Standard

Source: [www.schematron.com](http://www.schematron.com)  
Source: [EditingSchematron Schemas \(oxygenxml.com\)](http://EditingSchematron Schemas (oxygenxml.com))

## Why Schematron?



- Structural aspects and data types can be defined with XSD, RNG, or DTD schemas
- With Schematron, it is possible to create specific rules and constraints for a specific XML document



Source: [schematronTutorial.pdf](#)

## The main principles of Schematron



- Designed to be used in conjunction with other validation languages (mainly XML Schemas)
- Uses XPath to specify rules
- Can define co-constraints (a constraint on data based on another item's data)

Source: Beginning XML; Fawcett, Quin, Ayers

## What can Schematron be used for?



- Constraint checking
- Naming and design rules checking
- Data exploration
- Data reporting
- ...

Source: [www.schematron.com](http://www.schematron.com)

## Elements of Schematron



- There are only 6 basic elements in ISO Schematron
  - assert
  - report
  - rule
  - pattern
  - schema
  - ns

## How to use Schematron?



- Using a commercial software:
  - oXygen
    - `<?xml-model href="dcc.sch" type="application/xml" schematypens="http://purl.oclc.org/dsdl/schematron"?>`
  - Liquid Studio

## How to use Schematron?



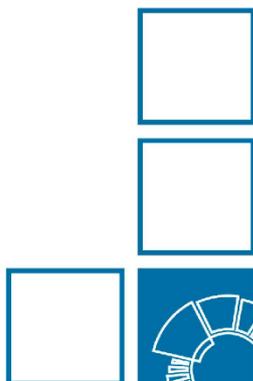
- Using open-source software only :
  - Java
  - Saxon-HE (v10.3)  
(<https://www.saxonica.com/html/download/java.html>)
  - SchXslt which is an open source schematron processor  
(<https://github.com/schxslt/schxslt>)

## How to use Schematron?



- Using open-source software only:
  - `java -jar saxon-he/saxon-he-10.3.jar -s:dcc.sch -xsl:github/schxslt/core/src/main/resources/xslt/2.0/compile-for-svrl.xsl -o:dcc.xsl`
  - `java -jar saxon-he/saxon-he-10.3.jar -s:DCC.xml -xsl:dcc.xsl -o:result.xml`

**Thank you very much  
for listening!**



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## DCC Helpdesk and DCC Summerschool

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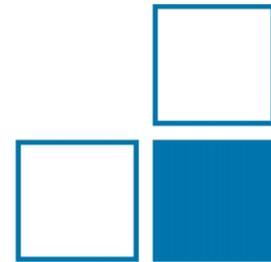
Enquiries from the international community have increased steadily. Therefore, the DCC homepage is still being actively worked on. In order to better support the community, the PTB will set up a DCC helpdesk and also process enquiries from the metrological community, if capacities allow. In the lecture, the structure of the DCC helpdesk will be described (1st, 2nd and 3rd level support). The development of a knowledge database and the link to the DCC homepage are further goals. The processing of enquiries will be illustrated by way of example.

The plans for the DCC Summer School from 2022-06-13 to 2022-06-24 (twice a week) will be presented. Interested parties can apply for participation in this event soon.

# PTB **DCC** Helpdesk and **DCC** Summer School

2<sup>nd</sup> International **DCC** Conference

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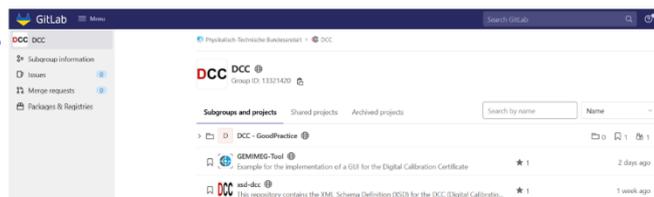
## Where to find information about the **DCC**?



- Single Point of Entry
  - Address: [www.ptb.de/dcc](http://www.ptb.de/dcc)
  - Here every interested person has free access to all available information.



- File downloads to start with the DCC:
  - <https://gitlab.com/ptb/dcc>
  - **DCC** schema
  - Good Practice examples
  - Gemimeg-Tool



## Help and Coordination



### Structure of the help desk:

- Support structure is currently under construction.
- Planned structure:
  - Support is done via 1st, 2nd, 3rd level support
  - 1st level: FAQ + telephone hotline
  - 2nd level: **D**CC developer from the single departments
  - 3rd level: developer from the core development team



Part 1

### Structure for coordinational requests:

- Single Point of Entry

## Knowledge Base



- A knowledge base system similar to other Help Desks is currently also under construction.
- Part of the Service Desk.
- Contains a Q&A data base aside of the FAQ. → Exchange between the systems is ensured.



Part 2

## Help and Coordination



### Contact Hotline:

### Help desk:

[www.ptb.de/dcc](http://www.ptb.de/dcc)

E-mail: [dcc@ptb.de](mailto:dcc@ptb.de)

Phone.: to be announced



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## Support developing DCCs



### Offerings:

- Consultancy for organisations (DKD, DAkkS, EMNs, ...).
- Executing projects in collaboration with partners.
- Development of Good Practice examples.
- ...

# Summer School



- Date: Group 1: 2022-06-13 to 2022-06-17  
Group 2: 2022-06-20 to 2022-06-24 
- Scope:
  - Topics: Fundamentals of the DCC, Good Practice examples, ... 
  - Getting started with the DCC
  - Hands-On work with DCC (active participation required)
- How to get involved?
  - Application required 
  - Application should be addressed to dcc@ptb.de
- Prerequisites:
  - Proven IT knowledge (web programming, C++, Java, ...) 
  - Knowledge of calibration processes (performed calibrations, preparation of calibration certificates, ...)
- Funding:
  - In collaboration with department 9.3 *International Cooperation* funding possibilities will be checked individually (contact: digitalisation@ptb.de). 

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## Final Discussion and Further Steps

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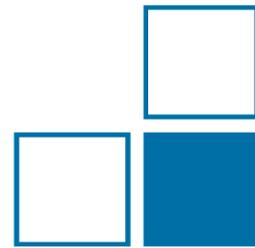
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### Abstract

A summary of the conference will be given. Furthermore, an outlook into the near future based on the results of the DCC conference will be shown. The third international DCC conference will be announced.

# Final Discussion and Further Steps

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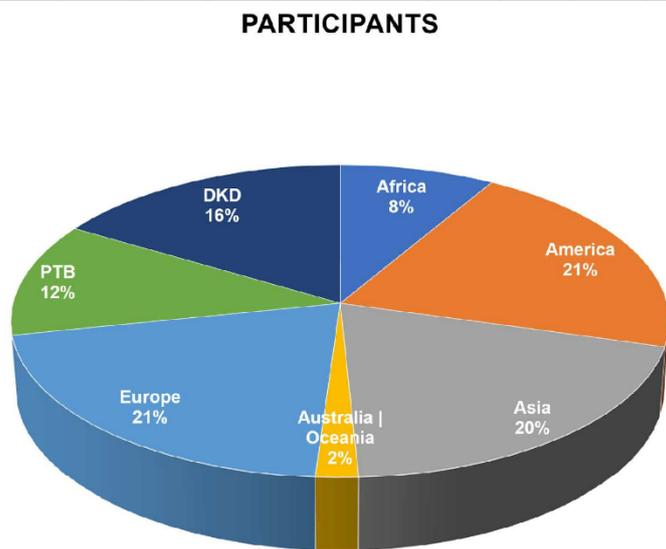


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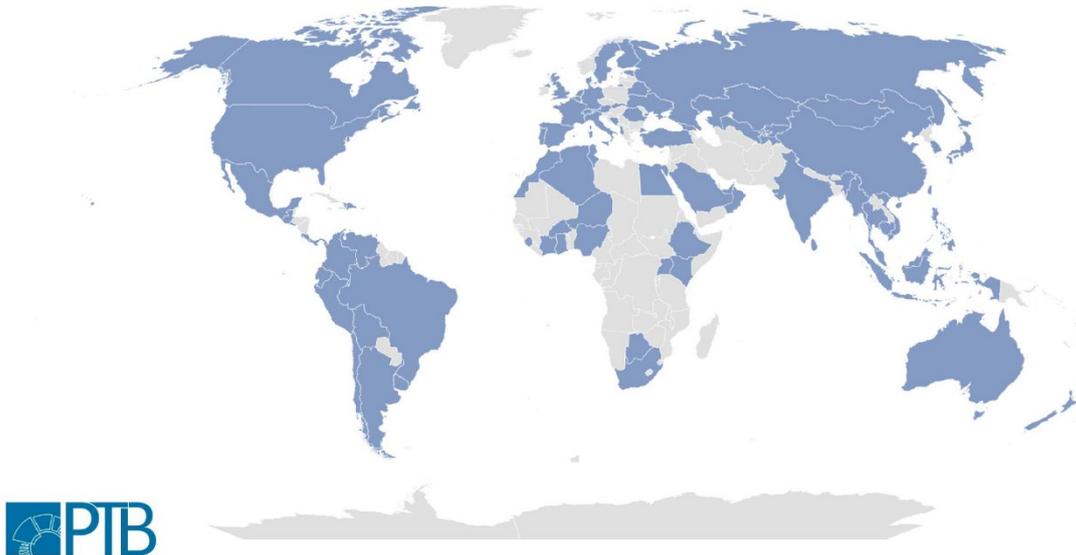
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Continent	Participants
Africa	59
America	145
Asia	137
Australia   Oceania	13
Europe	143
PTB	82
DKD	114
<b>Sum</b>	<b>693</b>

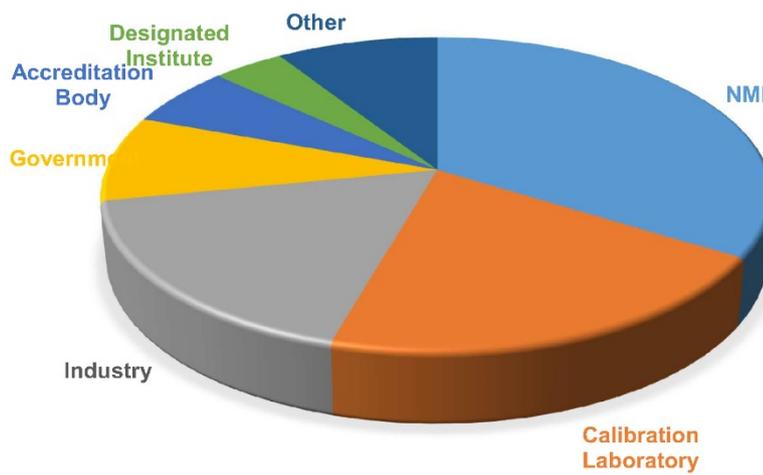
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## Statistics Participants



## Statistics PARTICIPANTS



## The Conference itself

- Welcome
  - ✓ CIPM-Strategy for Digitalization
    - It is good that the necessity has been recognised and that accelerated processes are to be established.
    - Quick decision for Digital SI and uniform DCC mandatory
- Implementation strategies
  - ✓ USA: Impressive investments
  - ✓ Intensify coordination and discussions

## The Conference itself

- Necessity of Good Practice (GP)
  - ✓ Common realisation is there that GP is important for lifting the treasure of machine interpretability
- Call for an international NGO
  - ✓ Determination of GP and (sub-) schemes
  - ✓ Storage of agreed GP and sub-schemata
  - ✓ Transitional solution at PTB
- Use of the data from the DCC
  - ✓ 2022-03-01 14:30: Simple Python example has shown this

## The Conference itself

- Quantity | Value | Unit
  - ✓ Topic in two presentations
  - ✓ CIPM has this in focus and is working on a proposal
  - ✓ DCC can easily implement this
- Adapting norms and standards to the fourth industrial revolution
  - ✓ Great need to improve

## The Conference itself

- DCC-Syntax 4.0
  - ✓ DX, DCC, DCR, DCA, DTC, DRM
    - Call for active cooperation by email to

“”abbreviation””@ptb.de

- ✓ Envelope
  - A lively discussion shows that new possibilities can optimise processes.

## The Conference itself

- List of requirements of accreditation bodies for the DCC
  - ✓ Reference to lecture by DAkkS
  - ✓ Discussion is necessary
- IT-Security
  - ✓ his topic will continue to accompany us

## The Conference itself

- xsdMETAS and DCC
  - ✓ 2022-03-01 12:45: Implementation of Digital Calibration Certificate at NIMT
  - ✓ Lecture commitment from METAS at 3rd International DCC Conference

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## Look to the Future

- Third International DCC Conference
- **Save the Date: 2023-02-27 to 2023-03-03 (online)**

## Look to the Future

- Online-Proceedings
  - ✓ We will publish an online conference volume (DOI)
  - ✓ The request to the speakers for publication is in progress
  - ✓ You will be informed when the proceedings are published
- <https://www.ptb.de/dcc>
  - ✓ All information can be found here

## Thanks a lot!

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